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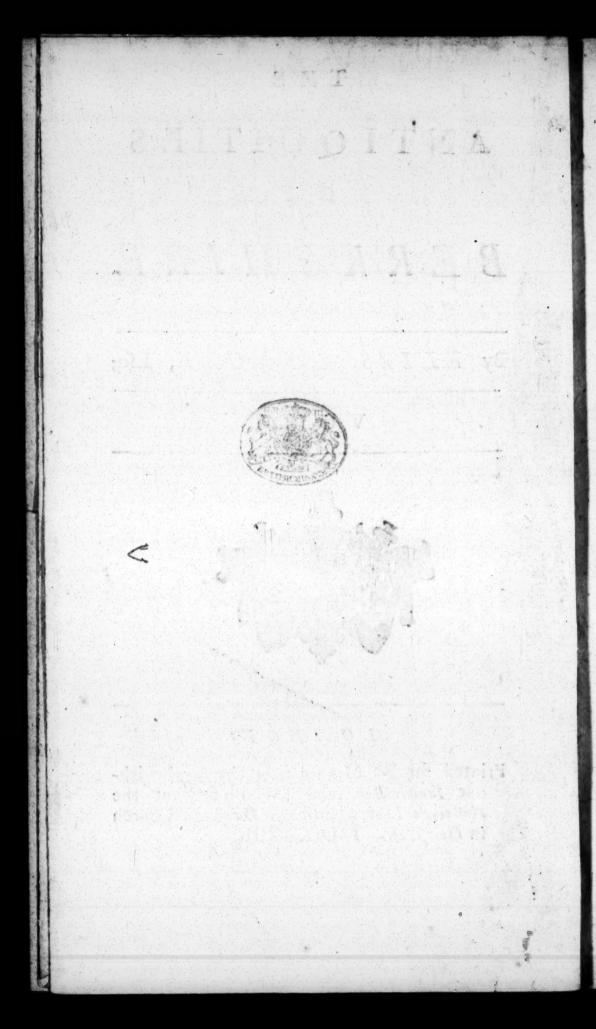
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SHRIVENHAM Hundred.

COLLISHULL, alias Coleshall,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of A-bington. Patron Pleydell, Esq; Incumbent William Gregory, B. D.

Against the South Wall of the Chancel is a very stately, arched Monument, erected for Sir Henry Pratt, and his Lady, whereon lye both their Representations cut in White Marble; he being clad in Armour, over which is a loose Mantle lined with Fur; she habited and fashioned in the Dress of the Times wherein she lived. Within the Arch, on a large Black Marble, is this Inscription.

Speculum mortale.

Statutum est omnibus semel mori.

This Monument conceales the Ashes of the late honourable, prudent, and pious, Sir Henry Pratt, Knight and Baronett, who by God's Providence, acquired the Eminence of Sheriff, and Alderman of London, and the honourable Dignity of Knight and Baronet.

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The Memoriall of the Just shall be preferved, but the Name of the Wicked shall rot, Prov. 10. ver. 7. He lived 75 Teares, and deceased the vi Day of Aprill, MDCXLVII.

Phanix moriendo reviviscit.

ASHBURT,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Abington. Patron the Right Honourable the Lord Craven, Incumbent Mr. White.

In the middle of the Chancel lyes a Grave-stone, bearing on it a Plate of Brass, whereon is the Figure of a Man in the Habit of a Batchelor of Law, and beneath his Feet is this Inscription.

Dic jacet Magister Willielmus Skelton, utriusque Juris Baccalaurius quondam Prepositus in Ecclesia Cathedrali Wellenci & Rector istius Ecclesie, ac etiam Rector Ecclesie Sancti Vedasti in Civitate London, qui obiit XXVIII Die Mensis Marcii, Anno Domini, MCCCCXLVIII. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

At his Feet is another Grave-stone, and thereon a Plate also, containing these Verses.

Continet hec fossa de Walden offa Johannis, Quem Deus ad celsa ducat perpetuus annis.

On another Plate of Brass fastened to a Grave stone laid near unto the North Wall, is this Inscription.

Dic jacet Dominus Thomas de Bushbury, Canonicus dum virit in Ecclesia Hertford*, a Rector istius Ecclesie; qui obiti XXIX Die Mentis Marcii, Anno Domini, MCCCCIX.

Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

In the middle of this Grave-stone is the Figure of the said Bushbury vested in his Habit.

On a flat Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lyeth Jane, the Wife of Alexander. Popham, Esq; who departed this Life, May the xxixth, Anno Domini, MDCXCVII.

^{*} Potius Hereford.

On a Grave-stone in the North Isle is this Inscription.

Hic jacet corpus Ricardi Harding, Generosi, qui ob. xxix Die Maii, Annoque Domini, MDCLXXVIII. Ætatis suæ 76.

At Ashbury Park, in this Parish, is a Camp of an oblong Figure, about an 100 Paces Diameter, and the Works single, which is an Evidence of its Danish Original. It is now almost destroyed, by digging for the Sarseden Stones, to build a House for the Right Honourable Proprietor the Lord Craven.

COMPTON: BEAUCHAMP.

Questa amorbio amino enimo

Upon a Brass Plate set in a Blue Gravestone, laid in the middle of the Chancel, is the following Inscription.

Hic jacet Magister Willielmus Frampton, Rectoz istius Ecclesie-Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen. Upon a Monument fixed in the South Wall is this Inscription.

Here under lieth interred the Infant. Body of Christian White, Grief of his Parents that he died, their Joy that he died a Christian, May xxi, MDCXVIII.

Rest Babe in Christ, the God who gave thee Breath, Rewards with lasting Life thy speedy Death; Thy Life was like thy length, all but a Span, See here, proud Flesh, how vain a Thing is Man!

On another small Stone fixed in the North Wall is this Inscription.

Here lieth the Body of Margaret White, who died the xxth of July, An. Domini, MDCXXVII. in her tender Tears. Morier.

A Week of Teares I lived, and that exprest, God call'd me hence to Heavens Sabbatick rest; I run according to my Teares, my Race, And God's Glory crownes in me his Grace. Orier.

This Rectory is in the Deanery of A-bington. Lord of the Manor, and Patron, Edward Richards, Esq; present Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Langley.

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OFFINGTON, alias Uffington, alias Wolfton,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Abington. Patron Mr. Archer, Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Pomfret.

Against the North Wall of the North Cross Isle of this Church, is erected a large Monument of Free Stone, in the middle whereof are these Inscriptions in manner following.

Here lyeth the Body of EDWARD ARCHER, Esq; buried the xxviith Day of July, and in the first Teare of the Raigne of our Soveraigne Lord King James, and in the Teare of our Lord God, MDCIII.

The Lord is Mercifull and Righteous, and our God is full of Compassion. Precious in the Sight of the Lord is the Death of his Saints, Psalm 116. vers. 5, & 15.

Archer's Arms 3 Arrows.

In the middle of the North Cross Isle is a raised Monument of Free-Stone, and this Epitaph engraven thereon.

In obitum Johannis Grove de Balking Generofi, & Margaretæ Uxoris ejus. Hoc mærens posuit Auctor Epitaphium.

On a Grave-stone lying in the middle of the Nave of the Church, on a Brass Plate, is this Epitaph.

Here lyeth the Bodies of John Saunders, and Anne his Wife, both borne in this Parish; which John had two Wives, the other named Jone, and had Mue by his first Wife 5 Sons and 2 Daughters, who departed this Lyfe the xxvi Day of Decemb. Anno Dom.

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In the West Wall of the South Cross Isle of the Church, is a fair arched Monument adorned with carved Work, and gilded, whereon lyes the Statue of a Person in a Barrister of Laws Gown, and over him is this Inscription.

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Reader, this Monument presents the Memory of John Saunders, of Wolston, in the County of Berks, Esquire, and Justice of the Peace in that County, and well experienced in the Common Lawes of England. He rendered his Soule to God the xxixth Day of Aprill, MDCXXXVIII. And this Portion of Sacred Earth preserves his Body, which is sequestred for the Resurrection. He was bappy in his Marriage with MARGARET, one of the Daughters of John Evelyn of Godstone, in the County of Surrey, E/q; at whose Charge this Monument was erected, and by whome he had Children ELIZABETH, MARGARET, THO-MAS, ELIZABETH and LETTICE.

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SPERSHOLT,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Abington. Patron Queen's College in Oxford, Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Bell. On a Brass Plate fixed in a Gravestone, laid near the middle of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet Johannis Fettiplace Generosus, qui Uxorem duxit Marga-RETAM Andrews Vid. unam filiarum Thomæ Braybrooke de Abingdon Generos. & obiit . . . die Februarii, Anno 1602.

Hoc tumulo Fetiplace requiescunt ossa Johannis, Et parvum corpus parvula terra tegit. Sed mens qua melior pars est expersque sepulchri, Insima despiciens, sidera celsa colit.

On a Grave-stone in the middle of the Chancel is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of John Williamson, Batchelor of Divinity, Vicar of this Church, deceased October the xxth. 1633.

Next below, another Grave-stone with this Inscription on Brass.

Hic sepultus est Nicolaus Cooke, Artium Magister, Socius Collegii Regina Oxon. hujus Ecclesia Rector, qui obiit Aug. 1603.

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Deus eorum qui obdormierunt in Jesu

deducent cum eo.

Adjoyning to the latter is the Figure of a Priest in his Habit, cut in Brass, set in a small Stone, under which is this Infcription.

Pic jacet Dominus Thomas Mythson quondam Scolaris Collegii Regine Oxoniæ, & istius Ecclesse Vicarius. Cuius anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

Circumscribed on the Body of a large Stone, whereon is the Figure of an Ecclesiastick in his Habit, this Inscription.

+ Pic jacet Willielmus de Herleston Rectoz ... hanc cancellam, a obiit ultimo die Febr. ... Domini MCCC. ... Cujus anime propicietur Deus Amen.

On another Grave-stone laid on the North Side of the Chancel are the two following Inscriptions.

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Hic jacet corpus Thome Todhun-Ter, hujus Ecclesia quondam Vicarii, & Collegii Reginæ olim Socii, qui sibi quinque habebat notos, viz. duos silios & tres silias. Obiit 30 die Martii, & sepultus erat 1º. die Aprilis, Anno Dom. MDCXXVII.

On another Grave stone is the following Inscription.

Dic jacent corpora Petri Hunsdon & Marie Uroris ejus, que quidem Maria obtit ultimo die Maii, A°. Domini, 1543. & Petrus postea quarum animarum propicietur Deus. Amen.

In an Arch cut into the South Wall of the Chancel, lyes the Statue of a Knight in Mail, cross legged, having a short Coat girt over his Armour, and holding his Hands in the Posture of praying; between tween his Feet is an Eagle standing up-

right.

In the middle of this Chapel stands an antient raised Monument of Wood, and thereon the Statue of a Knight in plate Armour, with a short Coat over it, cut also in Wood, his Hands, like the former, are erect, and his Feet rest upon a Lion. Under his Head lyes his Helm, on which, out of a Crown, issues something like a Mushroom.

Under the South Window are two large Arches made in the Wall; in that towards the West, lyes the Statue of a Woman cut also in Wood, and veiled. In the other, more Eastward, lyes a Man veiled likewise, his Feet resting on two little Dogs,

At the Front of this last Monument are the Figures of Nine Men compleatly armed, holding their Swords and Shields

in various Postures.

On a Grave stone in this Chapel is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Jone Wal-Rone, the Wife of Thomas Wal-Rone, who dyed A. MDCX.

At the East End of this Chapel is a Monument with this Inscription.

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Here lyeth the Body of John PlayDell, Gent. who was buried Aprill
the xviith. An. MDXCI. Also the
Body of Bridget his Wife, who deceased Febr. xiv. A. MDCXXIII.
Which John and Bridget had 7 Sons
and 6 Daughters, and Three are buried in this Isle, Anthony, Samuel,
and Katherine.

On another Monument on the fame Wall is this Inscription.

Here was buried the ixth of Aprill, MDCXXV. the Body of Sir George Hyde, Knight of the Honourable Order of the Bath to our Soveraigne Lord King James, at his Coronation of England; and had to Wife Katherine, the Daughter of Sir Humfry Ferenars, of Tamworth Castle, in the County of Warw. and had by her 3 Children.

On a Grave-stone lying in the Body of the Church, under the Figures of a Man, and his two Sons and two Daughters, is this Inscription.

Pray for the Soule, and pray you dere, Of Thomas Bothe that lyeth here. CHIL-

CHILDRET,

Not far from this Place runs the famous Roman Way, called Ickenyldstreet, so admirably traced out by the learned Roger Gale,

Efq; to Streatly.

In the middle of the Chancel lyes a very large Marble Stone, adorned with the Pourtraitures of a Man in Armour treading on a Lion, and his Wife near him, both holding up their Hands in a Devotional Posture, and this Inscription towards the lower End of the said Grave-stone.

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This following Circumscription is engraved likewise in Brass.

Armiger eximius fuerat, legifque peritus Et flous munus subjacet hic politus. Willielmus bians Ffynderne fuit & beneratus. Crimine non bidus confilieque latus. Donis gratuitis ipsum natura beabit Sozs sublimavit unvique foztuitis Duam sponsarat beram claram, rocam, quoque be-Kingston Elizabeth hic locus unus habet. [ram Duos thozus admisst unus, lapis ifte telist Grandis marmozeus, his milerere Deus. Da tegit plana petra, quoad fit quotidiana Die imperpetuum mencio spirituum Crastina dam preerit lar Gregorii benedick Willielmi victi bita brevis veerat. Annus millenus quater e C preteriere, Et quater undenus tunc subiere fere.

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Illuc qui properis pedibus conscendis ad aras, Funde preces caros, sint socii superis. Si quos leserunt, del quod male promecuerant, Adis Christe tamen, pace transsur. Amen.

Within an Arch of the North Wall of a Chapel built on the North Side of the Church, lyes a Knight cross legged, armed in Mail, and a short Coat over it. He bears his Shield on his left Hand, and seems to be drawing his Sword. His Feet rest upon a Lion.

On a Brass Plate set in a Grave-stone (Eastward of that laid for William Ffyndeme) is this Inscription.

Dic iacet Domina Agnes quondam Uxoz Johannis Ffynderne, que obtit 5 die Februarii, A°. Domini, 1441. Cuius anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Marble adjoyning, whereon is represented a Doctor of Law in his Habit, in a Brass Plate, is this Inscription,

Of your Charitie pray for the Soule of Bryan Roos, Poctor of Law, cumtyme Parson of this Church; the whych deceased the 30th

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30th Day of August, the Per of.
our Lord God, 1529. On whose
Soule Thesu have Mercy.
Amen.

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In the North Wall of the Chancel, and near to the East Window, is a fair Arch, wherein a Body hath been antiently laid, and near thereunto is a Marble, where-upon, in Brass Plates, are the Figures of a Man in Armour, and his Wife in her usual Habit and Attire, under whose Feet is this Inscription.

De pour Charitie pray for the Sowie of John Kingeston, Clquire, Some and Ayre funtymes of John Kingestone; the wyche forsayd John Kingestone; the wyche forsayd John departed from this transytory Lyfe, the 16 Day of Apryle in the Perc of owne Lord Bod, 1514 and for the Sowie of Susan his wyfe, the wyche departyd thys transytory Lyfe the in the Perc of our Lord 15.

And On whose Sowilles Iheru have and

On a Scrowl proceeding out of the Man's Mouth.

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D 3helu, bulcebo omnium te amancium.

On a Scrowl coming out of the Wo-

Et semper adjutoz ad te perozantium.

In a Chapel erected on the South Side of the Church are laid feveral Grave stones, whereon are engraved the following Epitaphs.

Pic jacet Willielmus Walrond Gent.
qui quidem Willielmus obiit
die Mentis
Anno Domini Millimo CCC...
que quidem Elizabetha obiit
die Ment. Anno Dom.
Millimo CCCC.
Duozum animabus propicietur
Deus. Amen.

Near the little South Door, on a Gravestone, is this Inscription.

Here under that Marble Stone, nert before the Pmage of Sent Mighell, resteth the Bodies of Thomas Wallrond, Gentsman, and Alice Alice his wife, Daughter of Nicholas Englefield, which Alice deceased the ... Day of ... the Pere of our Lord 1477 and the laid 1 homas decessed the 16 Day of Septembre, the Pere of our Lord 1480.

On whose Soules Thesu have Mercy.

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Under the Figures of a Man and Woman, and the Picture of the Holy Trinity above them, is this Inscription.

Maker of Mankind, D God in Tzinitie,
Of then high Mercy grant me this bon,
That for my Sowle, feth a Pater Poster and Abe.
Daughter to Thomas Walrond baptise by the Name of
Jone,
Wise, when I in the World lived, to Robert Straughben,
The Second Day of Aprill hence passed and leve in her
Ther older Sowles, Mercy Lozd, grant them to have.

Pictures of a Man in Armour having an a griplal sidt ai snoth sygrap radious que of a Woman with a Surcoat on of shoit

Dhitus, Ang. Dui, Millima Septimo.

Dere under this lyeth the Bodies of William Feteplace, Ennire, and Elizabeth his Wife, Jounder of this Chauntery, founded in the Bonour of the blessed Trinity, our Lady, and Sent Kateryn, whiche Elizabeth decessed the 14 Way of January,

nuary, the Peare of our Lord 1516.
and the laid William decelled the
... Day of in the Peare of
our Lord God 15... On whose
Sowles, and all Christian Soules,
Thefu have Werry.

On another Grave-stone is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth buried the Bodies of Eliza-BETH and KATHERINE FETIPLACE, Daughters of ALEXANDER FETIPLACE, who departed this Lyfe, And. Dom. 1603.

On a Monument in the Form of an Altar set in the Wall, are the Figures of a Man and Woman in winding Sheets, seeming to rise out of their Graves.

In the East Window of this Chapel are Pictures of a Man in Armour, having on a Surcoat of the Arms of Fetiplace; and of a Woman with a Surcoat on of the Quarterings impaled with Fetiplace, and both kneeling.

In the Hall Windows of the Mader House are painted the under mentioned Coat of Arms.

Anthony Rettiplace The Seke SixWill Rettiplace S. The Fettiplace S. John Cheyner

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Something Northward of Puley, in the Deanery of Abington, lyes the Vicaridge of

North DENCHESWORTH.

This was the antient Inheritance of the Family of the Fetyplaces, one of whom, Sir Philip, was Lord of this Manor, temp. Edw. 1. and bore for his Arms, in a Field, 2 Chevron, quartering also the Coat of the Lord St. Amand, as is evident from a Seal made use of by him, with his Name round it, in the Time of that King. mus Fetyplace, of Pusey, Esq; descended from the said Sir Philip, was not many Years fince Lord of this Place. Not far from Wantage lyes South Denchesworth, the antient Inheritance of the Hydes, of which Family Sir Walter de Hyde, Knt. temp. Edw. 1. the last of whom, at this Place, was Sir George Hyde, created Knight of the Bath at the Coronation of King Tames I. who fold this Manor to Sir William Cockayne, Knt. Alderman of London, whose Son the Viscount Cullen, of Ireland, fold it to the Father of the present Lord of the Manor, Gregory Geering, Esq; Within the Bounds of this Parish, is an Estate known by the Name of HYDE, where omiT'

where is yet visible a large Square Moat, judged to have been a Fish-Pond. It is highly probable, that the Family of Hydes took their Name from this Seat; they being in old Evidences and Writings frequently termed at Hyde. This Family has formerly been very remarkable in this Place, where they have been Lords for Nineteen Generations. The Church is dedicated to St. James the Apostle, and was founded by one of this Family, whose Arms are visible in the Windows, and Walls, both of the Church and Chancel. Over the Porch, at the Request of Mr. Kedden, the present Vicar, the Patron, Mr. Geering, in 1693. erected a small Library, into which he put several valuable Books for the Use of the Vicars for ever; to which Library also, Mr. Edward Brewster, of London, Stationer, was a generous Benefactor.

This was formerly a small Vicaridge, worth annually about 20 Nobles, but was augmented by the Viscount Cullen, in 1662. to 23 £.6 s. 8 d. \$\pi\$ Annum.

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Times wherein she lived, at whose Feet is this Epitaph.

De your Charitie pray for the Soules of Oliver Hyde, Esquire, and Agnes his Wife; the which Oliver decelled in the Pere of our Lord God 1516.

On whose Soules Ihesu have Mercy. Amen.

Under the Man are the Figures of four Sons, and under the Woman are four Daughters.

On a Plate of Brass set in a Gravestone lying in the aforesaid Chapel, is this Inscription.

Andos nos mundo matrir perdurerat albus, Et rurfum nuda coppoza terra petit.

Duas donabit opes mundus fibi bendicat omnes, Dec poscellorem gasa ficuta suum.

Sed neque divitie generis, nec glozia, quenquam A moztis poterit tollere lege virum

Say michi nomen erat Willelmus, me nece Aratum Decima quinta dies Aprilis ab ozbe vocavit,

Anno Domini Pillimo CCCCLXXXXIII. Duelo luum, quicunque meum bultum videt arctum

Cogitet, & vicat, Say requiesce polo.

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Under the Figures of a Man and his Wife, he in Armour, and she in her usual Dress, is the following Inscription cut on Brass, and fixed on a Grave-stone.

Pere lyeth William Hyde, Esquire, whome God took to his Adercy, and was buried the 22th Day of July, in the Peare of our Lord God, 1567. And also here lyeth Alice, Wise of the said William Hyde, whome God also took to his Apercy. the Day of in the Pere of our Lord God 15... which William, and Alice his said wife, in their Lyfe-time. had 10 Children of their two Bodies law fully begotten; that is to say, 5 mons and 5 Daughters.

Here the we two enclosed now in Erth, not far a part, idiode now in Erth, not far a part, idiode notifies we had tyle, whom only weath could parte; ally pame william, her's Margery, by hierame called Hyde, nather except to us the and dead, whom now the Erthe doth hyde; indipet we drd tybe God gave us Crace, to harbour, clothe, and hyde, The naked poore folkes: Injuries we did defend and hyde; Kow being dead, we crave Abercy of God, that he will hyde Hys face from our Symmes and with hys Arme he from the Webyll us hyde, And that with Saints and happy Soulles, our fely Soules may byde, In Deaven with God, good folkes we pray, to pray to God for Hyde.

Upon a large Plate of Brass nailed to the South Pillar of the Arch entring into the Chancel, directly over the above-mentioned Grave-stone, is cut the Figure of the said William Hyde in Armour, and his Wife, both kneeling at a Desk; behind him are the Figures of eleven Sons, and behind her of Nineteen Daughters, all kneeling.

Out of his Mouth comes this Scrowl.

Miserere mei. Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

Out of his Wife's Mouth is this Scrowl.

Peale my Soule D Loed, foe I have finned against Thee.

Under both the Pourtraitures.

Duisquis transferis, pro notteis ora animabus, Et junctos tumulo tu prece junge Deo.

The which William Hyde, Esquire, decessed the Second Day of May, in the Pere of our Lord God 1557. and the said Margery, hyp 1Dyse decessed the 27 Day of June, in the Pere of our Lord God 1562.

In the Chancel, 'on a Black Marble

ARDINGTON,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Abington, and Gift of Christ Church in Oxford; Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Price.

In the South Isle is erected a very fair Monument against the Chancel Wall, having this Inscription on it.

In Memoriam charissim;
Parentis Edovardi Clarke
de Ardington, Equitis aurati
Monumentum hoc locari curavit
Johannes Clarke Armiger, ejusdem
Edovardi silius ex clarissima famina,
Domina Susanna Thomae Temple
Equitis Aurati & Baronetti silia,
Qua una cum conjuge junctissimo
resuscitaturi Domini adventum
in isto dormitorio expectat.

In this Shrine together lye,
Wisdom matched with Sanctitye,
He a Clarke, she, without boast,
A Temple for the Holy Ghost.

Absit ut glorier nisi in cruce.

In the Chancel, on a Black Marble Grave-stone, near the Altar, in Capitals, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of

Henry Dewe, Gent. who married

Martha, Daughter of Thomas Plott,
of Upton, in the County of Berks, Gent.
by whom he had two Sons,
Henry and Bennet; and
two Daughters, Mary and Elizabeth,
who departed this Life the 3d
of April, A. Domini, 1689.

aged 57 Yeares.

On a Black Marble Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lies the Bodies of
Two Children of
Henry Dewe, and Martha his Wife.

Henry their Son Mary their Daughdied in the 15th Teare ter dyed in the 5th of his Age, November the 28th. October the 24th. A°. Domini, 1683. A°. Domini, 1678.

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On a Black Marble Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
Richard Hobbis,
Gent.
who departed this Life
Aug. 28.

Anno Dom. 1706.
Ætat. 62.

On a Stone Tablet, like a Monument, just without the Chancel, is this Inscription.

In Memorie of the charitable Giftes of Tho. Gryme, Rich. Fretwell, and Robert Batten, Benefactors to the Church of Ardington.

Item, Thom. Gryme hath given a Tenement to the Church-men of Ardington, for the Behoof of the Church, to remain per-

petually, Anno Dom. 1544.

Item, Rich. Fretwell hath given unto the Church; and Poor of Ardington, 30 l. to remain as a Stock for ever; part of the Use whereof to be disposed as followeth, 8 s. for the preaching of a Sermon upon the first Sunday in September yearly; and after the Sermon, 4 d, and a Penny Loaf to every poor Body that lives by Alms of the said Parish, Anno Dom. 1618.

Item, Rob. Batten hath given in his Life-time a Silver Flaggon, and a Silver Plate, to remaine for the pious Use of the humble Communicants of the Church of Ardington, Anno Dom. 1633. H. C. W. 1640.

East LOCKINGE,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Abington, and Patronage of All-Souls-College; Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Aldsworth.

In the North Wall of the Chancel, Eastward, is a small Monument fixed, having this Inscription.

In Memoriam venerabilis Viri JACOBI
GERARD in Artibus Magistri, & nuper
Ædis Christi in Oxon. alumni; qui filius
erat Gulielmi Gerrard, de Harrovia
super Montem, in Comitatu Middlesexiæ,
Armigeri, & quondam Consilii Ducatus
Lancastriæ, Serenissima Regina

Elizab. necnon potentissimo
Principi Jacobo placide. In Domino
obdormivit decimo Calendas Septembris,
Anno Dom. 1628. Ano. autem ætatis suæ 35°.

S hic requiescit in spem futura Resurrectionis. Monumentum hoc posuit amoris ergo, charissimus & gemellus frater ejus Johannes Gerard.

Westward, in the said Wall, is another Monument erected, whereon is represented the Statue of a Woman kneeling at a Faldstool, under whom is this Inscription and Verses.

In Memory of Mrs. MILLICENT, late Wife of Mr. John Grace, Vicar of Aldworth, in this County, and Daughter to Edward Needham, of Ilston, in the County of Leicester, Esquire; who was born the last Day of November, 1601. and dyed the 24th of August, 1633.

Had full-sunned Goodness ever met a Grave, With this tombed Saint, it here a Tombe might have;

Or could we Vertue with the Corps interr,

As it had lived, here it had lodged with her; But what's Immortall earthly Rites prevents,

Tet selfe Memorialls raise best Monuments.

She needes no Statue, here a Husband's woe Eternity doth on it selfe bestow.

But that dryes up his Teares which crowned (her Story,

She went the Roade of Saints, from Grace (to Glory.

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Upon a Blue Marble Grave-stone laid in the middle of the Chancel, over against the last mentioned Monument, under the Figure of a Woman in her usual Habit, is this Inscription.

Hunc tumulum marens posuit frater Johannes Needham.

Here lyes Mrs. Mary Needham, youngest Daughter of Mr. Edward Needham, of Iston, in the County of Leicester, Esq; who was borne upon Friday the 22th of Aprill, 1611. and dyed upon Friday the 16 Day of January, 1628.

At the East End of the South Isle lyes a fair Marble, whereon, in a Brass Plate, are engraven the Figures of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman in her usual Habit, under whose Feet is this Inscription.

Here lyeth Edward Keate, Gent. (the Third Son of William Keate, of East Hagborne, Gent.) and Joane his Wife, the eldest Daughter of John Doe, of this Parish, Gent. married An°. Domini, 1565. had Mue by her Edward, William, Francis, and John;

Jonn; Anne, Jane, Agnes, Christian, Elenor, Mary, and Dorothy. He, aged 83 Teares, dyed the first of May, 1624. She, aged 79 Teares, dyed the last of February the same Yeare, leaving behind them good fames of Hospitality, and other Vertues.

In the Chancel, on a fair Monument, is this Inscription.

H. S. J.
Reliquiæ Thomæ Upton,
Olim. Coll. Om. An. Oxon. Socii.
* Et inde

Ad Rectoriam East Lockinge, Meritis ambientibus electi.

Cui prafuit tam Rector, quam exemplar, Vagos Opinione vel moribus Authoritate coercuit. Errantes detinuit facunda comitate,

Fregit insolentes,

Omnium Benevolentiam sibi concilians, Successori obsequium.

Cateras Virtutes a valente, Ab agro, Lector, disce Patientiam, Nec languor gemitus,

Nec sitis, nec onus hydropicum expressit, Tam pacate quam vixit morituro.

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^{*} This Line was intended, but not graved, Conspirantibus omnium suffragiis.

Hic siste, Lector,
Reliqua mortale sonant,
Irruit simul tota morborum cohors,
Et numero hostium, non viribus succumbens,
Amantissimam tandem conjugem
Agerrime reliquit,
Octobris die 10°.
Atatis Anno 50°.
Domini,
1684.

In the Church, on another Monument, is this Inscription,

S. 7. H. Christophorus Minshull, natus Generosa familia in agro Sussexiensi: Oxonii educatus, ac ibidem Facultatis Sta. Theologia nuper Bedellus, Armiger. Cur hoc in loco sepultus, quaris? prob dolor! ad hanc villam iter Conficiens (iter ebeu! quod ad sepulchrum duxit) non procul binc ex equo violentius admisso decidit, delapso mors importuna viam & vitam intercepit. Obiit morte repentina die XXI Junii, An. Do. MDCLXXXI. Atat. Jua

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Franciscus
defuncti Christophori frater
pietatis ergo P.

WANTAGE,

Is fituate on a nameless Rivulet running into the River Ocke, is the Capital of the Hundred of Wanting, and is a handsome Market Town. It was called by the Saxons WANATING, and was in those Days a Royal Seat, in which King Alfred was born, who at his Death, by his Will, gave it to Alfrith. It received its Charter for a Market 150 Years before the Conquest, by the Interest of Fulke Fitzwarin, who received it as a Reward of some Military Performances, from Roger Bigod, Earl-Marshal. From the Fitzwarins it descended to the Bourchiers, Earls of Bath; from them it came to the Wrays, and was fold by one Sir Bourchier Wray to the noble and antient Family of the Doyly's, a well known Family in Oxfordshire.

On the North Side of the Chancel is an Alabaster Monument erected, whereon are the Statues of Sir Fulke Fitzwarin, (one of the Knights of the Garter elected in

in the Reign of King Edward the Third) as appears both by his Surcoat of Arms, and the Garter buckled about his left Leg; and the Figure of his Lady, both holding up their Hands in a devotional Posture, but without any Inscription.

In the middle of the Chancel lies a Grave-stone, whereon, under the Figures of a Man and Woman cut in Brass, is this Inscription.

Ptc jacet Rogerus Merlawe, & Katerina Urozejus; qui quidem Rogerus obitt 12 Die Mentis Maii, Ano. Domini, 1460. Et dicta Katerina obitt tertio Die Januarii, Ano. Domini, 1459.

Duozum antmabus propicietur Beus. Amen.

On a Marble Grave-stone, in the said Chancel, is this Inscription.

Here lieth interred the Body of
HELENA, Daughter of JOHN,
Lord PAULET, Baron of Hinton
St. George, in the County of
Somerset, and Wife of WILLIAM
WILMOT, Son and Heire of Sir GEORGE
WILMOT, of Charleton,

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in the County of Berks, Knight, who departed this Lyfe on the 12th Day of May, Anno Domini, 1651.

In the Chancel, over the South Door, is a large Monument of Alabaster, and other fine Marble; on it are Three Figures, 1. Of a Gentleman in a long Peruke, with a Belt on, leaning on a Death's Head; under him, in Capitals, on a Black Marble, is this Inscription.

In Memory of William
Wilmot, of Up-Lamborne,
in the County of Berks, Esq;
Son of Sir George Wilmot,
of Charleton, in the said
County, Kt. which William dyed the
1st Day of November, 1684.

Next stands a Child in a Shirt loose, resting his Hand on a Death's Head, and this Inscription in Capitals, on a White Marble.

In Memory of William,
Son of the said William
Wilmot, (by Mary his
3d Wife) who died in his
Childhood the 22th
Day of January, 1666.

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Next

Next is a Woman with a Book in her Hand, and on her Head a loofe Hood: All the Three Figures are of White Marble, fupporting underneath Three Angels of Alabaster, with their Wings expanded, and this Inscription, on Black Marble, in Capitals.

Mary (the 3d Wife of the

Said William Wilmot, the

Daughter of Richard Jervoyce,

of Henard, in the County of

Southampton, Esq;) erected this Monument

in Memory of her deceased

Husband and Son.

On a Black Marble Grave-stone, in the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Gulielmus Wilmot, de Up-Lamborne, in Comitatu Berks, Armiger, obiit primo Die Novem. Anno 1684.

On an old Black Marble Grave-stone, on the Floor, on a Brass Plate, is circumscribed this Inscription.

De your Charitie pray for the Soute of Maister William Geddyng, late Vicar of All-Hallowe Bar-

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Barkyng, which William decessed the XXX Day of December, the Pere of our Lord, MCCCCXII. On whose Soule Ihest have Mercy. Amen.

In the middle Ile, on an old Brass Plate, on a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Deate pro anima, Johannis Kylbi, qui obiit in vigilia Sci. Michis Archi. Anno Domini, MCCCCLXXXI°.

Cujus anime propicietur Deus.
Amen.

In the South Ile, on a plain Graveftone, in double Columns, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth Frances,
his Wife, who
died the 12th of
September, Anno
Dom. 1684.

Here lyeth the Body
of William Hardwick,
Vicar of this Church,
who dyed the 7th Day
of November,
Anno Domini, 1685.

Here needs no Epitaph
To make them fam'd,
The Good are prais'd
When they are only nam'd.

At the East End of the same Ile, on a Black Marble Grave-stone, in Capitals, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Francis Grove, of Grove, in this Parish, Gent. He departed this Life the 8th Jan. A.D. 1697. in the 53d Yeare of his Age.

On a small square Piece of Black Marble, like a Gravestone, is this Inscription.

Here lieth the Body of Hannah Tub, who departed this Life, July the 21. 1711. Aged 8 Weekes.

Not Innocence, nor Parent's Love, ... Nor Tears, could stay my quick remove.

On a Marble Monument set in the North Wall of the Chancel, is this Infcription.

Videte in tumulis proximos
ut in amore vivos,
JOHANNEM WILSON Generosum,
& MARIAM Uxorem ejus, &
MATILDAM filiam ejus unicam:
Quorum Memoria suaque
pietatis Monumentum hoc

posuit

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posuit Edwardus Wilson,
Sacra Theologia Baccalaureus,
hujus Ecclesia pro
tempore Patronus. Qui de una
sidelium Resurrectione certus
cum iis intumulari curavit.
O homo moreris!

On a Grave-stone in the said North Ile, is the Pourtraiture of a Knight in Armour; his Feet resting on a Lion, and his Head upon his Helm: Under his Feet is the following Epitaph.

In gracia a misericordia Det, hic jacet Ivo Fitzwarin, Miles, qui obiit serto Die Mensis Septembris, An°. Domini, 1414.
Cujus anime propicietur Deus.
Amen.

Towards the South Side of this Ile lies a Grave-stone, whereon are the Figures of a Man and Woman, and under their Feet this Inscription.

Here lyeth buried WILLIAM WILMOT,
Gent. who died the Day of
Decemb. Ano. Domini, 1618.
He married Cicily
Hyde, one of the Daughters
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of Heugh Hyde, of Letcombe Regis, Esquire, by whome he had six Children, two Sons, Heugh and George Wilmot; and four Daughters, Cicilye, Martha, Fraunces, and Bridget Wilmot.

Whilf he lived he was to his Superiours respective, to his Equalls friendly, to his Inferiours compassionate, to the Poore charitable, who after 76 Teares Travell in this World, by a vertueous Departure recommended his Soule to the Mercy of his Saviour; in Memory whereof, his Sonns in Law, Thomas Garrard, and Thomas Tempest, have placed this Stone as a Monument to his Posterity, the 20th Day of June, A°. 1619.

This Circumscription following is upon the same Stone.

bevit auxilium meum. In manus tuas, Domine, commendo spiritum meum. Redemisti me sanguine tuo Domine. Deus beritatis. In te, Domine, sperabt, non confundar in aeternum.

In the South Ile of the Church is a Grave-stone, whereon, on a Brass Plate, are the Figures of a Man in a Gown, and his two Wives, and under them this Epitaph.

Pray for the Soulles of Water Tawbot, and Alys his Wife; which Water decelled the 18th Bay of Aprill, in the Pere of our Lord, 1522. On whole Soule Ihell have Mercy. Amen.

Under the Man are the Figures of five Sons, and under the Woman of four Daughters.

LAMBORNE Hundred.

LAMBORNE,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Newbury; Dean of St. Paul's Church, in London, Patron; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Taylor.

This Place was the Inheritance of William Effex, Efq; descended from an honourable, and most antient Family of that Name

Name in the County of Effex; of which Family, Wynmarke, Robert, and Swane, lived successively in greater Honour and Reputation than any other Nobles in that County, before the Normans enter'd this Realm. An Ancestor of this William, one Sir William Essex, Knight, Son and Heir of Tho. Essex, Esq. and Elizabeth, Daughter of William Effex, Under-Treasurer of England to King Edw. IW. married Eliza. beth, Daughter and Heir of Thomas Rogers, of Lamborne and Benham, Efq; whose Ancestor, John Rogers, married Elizabeth, Daughter and Heir of John Shotesbroke, of Becoat, Esq; whose Father, Sir Gilbert Shotesbroke, Knight, married Elizabeth, Daughter and Heir of Sir Hinion Standon, of Standon, in the County of Stafford, Knt. Lamborne, Becoate, and Standon is, with divers other Lands, the Inheritance of this Family at this Day.

In the middle Ile, under the Busto's of a Man and Woman to the Middle, engraved in Brass Plates, and set on a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Jone de Estbury, et Agnes, sa semme gysent ici, Dieu de leur ames eit Apercy. Amen. On a raised Monument, on the North Side of the high Altar, is this Inscription.

THOMAS GARRARD tooke to Wife AGNES BLAGRAVE, by whome he had Iffue WILLIAM and ELIZABETH; AGNES, the first Wife of Thomas Garrard, departed this Lyse the 28th of July, 1556. Thomas Garrard, her Husband, departed the 24th of December, 1583. William Garrard, their Son, most faithfully, in Memory of them both, caused this Monument to be erected; which William departed this Life the 10th of July, 1608.

Three Children peore, at one Birth, Agnes had, Were all baptized, with her in one Grave layd.

Upon a Grave-stone near the former Monument, under the Rigures of a Man and Woman, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth Thomas Garrad, Gent.
the first Soune of Thomas Garrard,
(in the Monument on the Wall abovewritten) by Alice, his second Wise,
who dyed the 9th of August, Anno
Domini, 1619, and Anna his Wise,
the Daughter of John Tutt, Esquire,
who died the 20th of January, 1610.

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GARRARD, their Son, bath placed this Marble Stone over them.

At the End of a Marble Monument raised upon Four Pillars, on the South Side of the Chancel, is this Inscription cut in Brass.

Here lyeth ROGER GARRARD Gent.
and ELIZABETH his Wife, whose Bodies rest
in the earth, their Mother, and whose
Soules do live with God, their Father,
which said Roger being of the
Age of 66 Tears, dyed 1631.
Mors mini lucrum. Hodie mini, cras tibi.
I am but Earth, and yet am God's Creature,
My Sins are greate, and yet God's Mercies greater.
For I believe in Christ his Son, and by him hope to be saved.

Elizabeth Garrard

Uxor Garrardi, jacet bic, qua nata Blagravi,

Uni atate fuit, nulla pietate secunda.

Nam talis erat, qualis erat talem,

Suus Vir nunquam vidit, Roger Garrard.

On the South Side of the Church is built a fair Chapel, and very well beautified, in the middle whereof is a large raised Monument of Grey Marble, whose Top-stone bears on a Brass Plate the following (241)

lowing Inscription round the Figure of a Person in Armour holding up his Hands in a devout Posture.

+ Dic jacet Johannes Estbury, Armiger, kundatoz istius nove capelle a cantarie ac contanguineus a peres Johannis.

Predict. ac kundatoz hujus veteris capelle qui obiit

Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Scrowl, near the Figure, are these Words.

Pater de celis, Deus, miserere nobis.

In the East Window, painted on the Glass, is the Picture of the Founder kneeling, having only a winding Sheet over him, and this Scrowl issuing out of his Mouth.

Mundt calvator, sis micht propitiator.

In a Chapel situated between the South Chapel and the Chancel, are Plates of Brass, having the Figures of two Persons

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to the middle, and fet in a Grave-stone, under which is this Inscription.

Pic jacet Johannes Estbury, Armisger, sundator Cantarie Sancte Marie iste Capelle, qui obiit 25 Die Octob. An°. Domini, 1372. Et Thomas stius eius, Armiger, qui obiit ... Die Mentis A°. Domini, MCCCC Anorum animatus propicietur Deus. Amen.

On another Plate of Brass, fixed in a Grave stone, follows this Inscription.

Dic jacet Johannes Estbury, Agnes Uroz eius, qui obiit penultimo Die Penus Septembris, An°. Domint, Pillimo CCCCXXXVIII. Duozum animabus propicietur Deus. Amen.

On another Brass Plate, fixed on a Grave-stone, is the following Inscription.

Pic jacet Johanna Tremayn, silia Johannis Estbury senioris, que obiit... Die Mensis..... An. Domini, Millimo CCCC.... Cujus anime propicietur Deus-Amen.

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On another Brass Plate, fixed in a Grave-stone, is the following Inscription.

To the living Memory of her deare Husband, Roger Seymore, of Inholt, in Lamborne Woodlands, Gent. Lieutenant to the Traine-Band, who died the 7th Day of Aprill, 1631. and of his Age 35, was this Stone placed by Anne, his first Wife, of whome he had 3 Sons, to whose Care he committed them at his decease.

In the middle of the Chapel, on the North Side of the Chancel, is a fair raised Monument, whereon lye the Statues in full Proportion, according to the Life, of a Knight and his Lady; he in his Surcoat of Arms over his Armour, resting his Head on a Helmet and Crest, viz. an Eagle's Head with a Firebrand in his Mouth, and his Feet on a Dolphin bowed; she in her usual Habit and Attire, her Feet resting on a Goat with Wings, and this Epitaph circumscribed on the Ledge thereof.

Here lyeth the Bodies of Thomas Effex, Knight, who deceased the 29th Day of August, in the Yere of our I i 2 Lord (244)

Lord God, One Thousand Five Hundred Fifty and Eight; and Dame Margaret his Wife.

On the North Side of the Church stands an Hospital, on the right Hand of whose Entrance, on a Brass Plate, fixed in the Wall, are the following Verses.

Dec nova Aructura retinens habitacula plura, Sit permansura per tempoza longa sutura, Pam cecis simul & claudis domus ista beata, Pauperibus non divitibus suit edificata. Quam qui donabit et in evum perpetuabit, Vunc sundatozem vos Estbury scite Johannem. Et domus ista Dei, debet per secula dicit Cujus in his finis, patet hic manifesta figuris 1485. Est domus ista Dei, pacis, precis, & requiei, Quas tibi concevat, qui vivit & ethere regnat.

The Stream that washes this Town, is called Lamborn River, which, contrary to the Nature of all other Rivers, is ever high in the Summer, and so low in the Winter, that it is entirely lost. It leaves this Place about Michaelmass, and sometimes before; but the sooner it goes, the Country People observe, that the cheaper Corn is that Season. It is thus described by the excellent Translator of Dubarta's Weeks, Mr. Joseph Sylvester, who lived here for many Years.

And

And little Lambes-Bourn, the' thou match not Lers. Nor hadft the Honour of Dubarta's Verfe; If mine have any, thou must needs partake, Both for thine Own, and for thine Owner's fake. All Summer long (while all thy Sifters shrink) Then of thy Waters Thousands daily drink; Besides that Water, which in hast doth run To wash the Feet of Chaucer's Donnington. But, while the rest are full unto the top, All Winter long, thou dost not shew a drop, Nor fends a Doit of needless Subsidy, To cram the Kennet's mantless Treasury; Before her Store be spent, and Springs be staid, Then, thou alone, thou lend'ft a liberal aid; Teaching thy wealthy Neighbours (mine of late) How, when, and where to right participate Their Streams of Comfort to the Poor that pine, And not to greafe still the too greafy Swine; Neither for Fame, for Form (when others do) To give a Morsel, or a Mite or two; But severally, and of a selfly Motion, When others miss, to give the most Devotion.

KENTBURT Hundred.

HUNGERFORD.

This Town, washed by the River Kennet, is situate in the Hundred of Kentbury, and Deanery of Newbury; is a Thorough-fare in the Road from London to Bath, Bristol,

Aol, and the Western Part of England; is remarkable for excellent Trouts and Crawfish; was formerly called Ingleford Charnam-ftreet. This small Market-Town gave both Name and Title to the noble and antient Family of Hungerford's, of which I could fay much, were it not already fully mentioned in Sir William Dugdale's Baronage of England. The Constable of this Place, elected annually, is Lord of this Manor, which he holds immediately of the Crown. They preserve here a Horn, which contains about a Quart, which, by the Inscription on it, appears to have been the Benefaction of John of Gaunt, who procured them a Grant of the Riall Fishing, as they term it, in a certain Part of the River Kennet. The Right of Presentation to this Vicaridge is in the Dean and Chapter of Windsor; the Reverend Mr. Wells is present Incumbent.

On a Grave-stone, lying in the Body of the Church, is this Epitaph.

Here lyeth the Body of Francis God-Dard, of Standen Hussey, in the County of Wilts, Esq; Son of Thomas Goddard, of the Jaid Standen, Esq; who deceased the 15th of January, 1652. The said Francis had to Wife

SARAH,

SARAH, the Daughter of Sir Anthony Hungerford, of Black-Borton, in the County of Oxford, Knight, by whome he had Issue two Sonns, Edward Francis, and three Daughters, Margaret, Sarah, and Katherine, whereof Margaret and Katherine deceased before their Father; the other Three yet survive.

Engraven in a large Plate of Brass, fastened in an Arch cut into the South Wall, under the South Window of a Chapel on the South Side of the Church, in old Saxon Characters, is this Inscription.

Propost Mons. Robert de Hungerford, tant cum il vivera, Et pout l'alme de ly appressa mort priere: Synk Cents et singuante jours de pardon avera grante de quatorse et beoques tant come il sust en vie: per quei en noum de charite:

Pater et Ave.

Round, on the same Stone, in Brass, in a circular manner, is this Inscription in Saxon Characters.

Quod de terra surrecturus sum quum in carne mea videbo Deum salvatorem. Quum (248)

Quum nos Pater, Filius, ac Spiritus Sanctus nos un. Quum non Suam operam judicabis.

In an inner Circle is this Inscription.

Per Dei Patris Potentiam. Per Filii Sapientiam. Per Sancti Spiritus... vitam possidere beatem.

Coats of Arms, is this Inscription.

Hungerford, de Cosham, in Com. Wilts, genitus
Illustrissimi Anthonii
de Black-Burton, in Comitatu
factus Miles honorabilis
primo Caroli Regis, quo
erat Rex, July 19, Ao.
Domini, 1629.

Under another Escotcheon, whose Arms are now broke out, remains this Inscription.

MARGARETA natu minor & cohares venerabilis Gulielmi Hollidaie, Armigeri, Londinensis Civis & Aldermanni, Uxor dicti Edvardi Hungerford, de Cosham, Balnei Ordinis Militis, July 19, 1629.

SHAWBONE,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Newbury; present Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Stockwell.

In the North Side of the Chancel is a Monument raised against the Wall, where lyes the Statue of a Man in Armour, at full length, with a Gold Chain about his Neck, and on the foreside this Epitaph.

Pray re all for the Sole of FRANCIS CHOKE, deceated in the Vear of our Lord, 1561. in the 14 Bay.

On the South Side of the Church-yard, on a Blue Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Atatis sua, 74, Ano. Domini, 1636.

Mons sueram vegeto dum mens in corpore mansit,

Mens abit ad Dominum, mons abit ad cineres.

In mortem cineres Domino redeunte redibunt,

Expecto hoc oriens: hoc meditor moriens.

ROLANDUS HILL, senio,
morboque languidus sed side
speque fortis de me ipse scripsi ac
sepulchro inscribendum mandavi.
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INK. PEN,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Newbury. Patron the Warden of Winchester College; Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Brickington.

On the North Side of the Chancel lyes the Statue of a Knight cross-legged, armed in Male, and a short Coat over it; he holds a deep Shield on his left Arm, and his right seems drawing a Sword.

HAMPSTED - MARSHALL.

This Village was so called, because it formerly belonged to the Earl Marshal of England, and was held by the Tenure of the Rod of the Marshallea. Here was a fine Seat, built by Sir Thomas Parry, Treasurer of the Houshold to Queen Elizabeth. Not many Years since, the late Lord Craven began another Seat, about which there was spent much Money, though it never was sinished. It is pleasantly situated on an Eminencey, and has a fine Prospect. It is in the Deanery of Newbury; Patron Lord Craven; Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Browne.

At the Entrance into the Chancel, on the South Side, is this Inscription following on a Grave-stone.

Here lyeth that good and godly
Man, Mr. RICHARD SMITH, of
Hampstedd, of the Age of 67 Teares,
deceased the 29th of August, 1637.
His Will was, not to be moved
out of his Tombe till the Day of
Doome; and he hath given 6 s. 8d.
for a Sermon to be preached on
Munday in Whitson Weeke for
ever; and he hath given 10 s. to the
Poore of this Place of Hamsted
for ever.

Under the South Window, in the Chancel, lyes the Body of Sir Balthazar Gerbier, but there is no Stone, or Memorial, erected for, or laid over him.

West WOODHET.

This Place was formerly the Estate of the Barons of St. Amand, from whom it descended, by Marriage, to Gerard de Braybroke, whose eldest Grand-Daughter transferred it by an inter-Marriage with K k 2 Wil-

William Beauchamp, who was summoned to Parliament, An. 27 Hen. VI. by the Name of Beauchamp of St. Amand. In the 35th of the same King, on William's Death, his Son Richard succeeded, who died without lawful Issue 23 Hen. VII. when he made a Settlement of the largest Part of his Estate upon his natural Son, Anthony St. Amand.

On a Black Marble set in the Wall, directly under the East Window of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

John Graunt, in Memory of his deare and honoured Master, Sir Benjamin Rudyerd, Knight, hath affixed this Stone over his Grave, with this Epitaph, made by Sir Benjamin in his younger Teares.

Fond World, leave off this foolish Trick,
Of making Epitaphs upon the Dead;
Rather goe write them on the Quick,
Whose Soules in earthly Flesh lye buried;
For in this Grave lyes nought of me,
But my Soules Grave, two Graves well turned
(to one;

Thus doe I live, from Death made free; Trust me good Friend, I am not dead, but gone To God and Christ my Saviour alone.

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He was born on St. Stevens
Day, 1572, and dyed the last of
May, An°. Domini, 1658, leaving
WILLIAM RUDNERD, Esq;
bis only Son and Heire.

The Family have fold this Estate to one Aflick, a Merchant of London.

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KENTBURT.

This is a large Parish, containing several Tythings. Sir Jemmatt Raymond is Lord of that Part of the Manor where the Church stands, and Patron; as also of Barton, just on the other Side of the River, where he hath a Seat. It is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Newbury; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Lloyd.

In the Chancel, on Brass Plates upon a flat Grave-stone, are the Pourtraitures of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman in a Hat; and under them is this Inscription.

Mr. John Gunter, and Alice, his Wife, being full as of Teares, so of Bounty and Charity, are gathered to their Fathers in Peace. He was here buried, the 2d of January, 1624. aged 89 Teares.

Teares. She was buried at Cicester, in the County of Gloucester, with the like Monument, the 18th of March, Ano. Domini, 1626. aged 86 Teares. Jos. Plat, corundem Gener. & Executor hoc posuit.

Arms on it, Sable, 3 Sinister Gauntlets, Arg. a Crescent dis. On an Atchievement are the same Arms in a Lozenge, empaling, Ar. 3 Battle-Axes Sab.

Engraved on another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Buried the Body of John Plat, Esq; and Bridget, his Wife, and Daughter to John Gunter, Gent. Mar. 10.

The Arms of Gunter are also upon this.

In the Church, on a Monument fixed to the East Wall is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of PHILIP JEM-MET, Esq; sometime Alderman of the City of London, who departed this Life the 17th of June, in the Years of our Lord, 1678. aged 63. Jemmet's Arms on this, Parry per Chevron, Gul. and Sa. 3 Unicorns Heads erased, Or, empaling, Ar. a Griffin Rampant, Sa. The Crest, a Unicorn's Head, Or, winged and armed Sa.

Raymond's Arms on Streamers, Az. a Spread Eagle, Ermine, on a Chief em-

batled, Ar. 3.

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On another, Raymond empaling, Gul. a Griffon pass, and a Chief, Or, a Crescent, dif. (Sir Jemmet Raymond married the Daughter of Sir George Brown, as I am informed.)

On another, Raymond quartering Jemmet, empaling the Griffin Passant, quartering, Az. a Chevron betwixt 3.....

Great No. H E F FO R D.

Dec. Au. Domini. 1678.

This Manor came to the Family of Browne, (a younger House of my Lord Viscount Montacute) by Marriage with an Heiress of the Family of Bruges. They are also Patrons to the Rectory; the present Rector is the Reverend Mr. Samuel Lynton, sometime of Pembroke College in Oxford.

The East Window of the Chancel, and South Window of the Church, were made by Mr. Paringle Kontropped

by Mr. Reginald Kentwood.

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In the East Window of the Chancel are these Arms, Gul. 3 Roses, Ermine.

At the bottom of the Window there only remains

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In the Chancel, on an Altar Monument, adjoyning to the South Wall, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Sir George Browne, Knight of the honourable Order of the Bath, eldest Sonne of George Browne, Esq, who dyed the 5th of Dec. An. Domini, 1678.

Arms on this are, Browne quartering Montacute, with a Crescent dis. The Crest a Spread Eagle.

On a flat Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of John Yeat, Son of Charles Yeat, of Lyford, Esq; and Mary, his Wife. Charles, the Grand-Jon of George Browne, of this Parish, Esq; and Mary, the Daughter of Thomas Wollapot, of Sutton, Esq; both of the County of Berks. He dyed in

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bis Infancy the 26th of June, An. Domini, 1688.

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On another Grave stone is the follow-ing Inscription,

Here lyeth the Body of Eliz. Browne, who departed this Life, Nov. 27. An. Domini, 1662. She was Sister to Sir George Browne, and died a Maid.

On another Grave-stone is this Inscrip-

Here lyeth the Body of Henry Browne, who departed this Life the 19th of March, 1668. He was Brother to Sir George, and died unmarried.

On another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lyeth Mary Wadman, Daughter of Robert Wadman, Esq; and of Hannah his Wife. She dyed the 21th Day of May, 1687. in the 3d Tear of her Age.

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East, or Little SHELFORD,

Is in the Hundred of Kentbury, a Rectory in the Deanery of Newbury; Patron Robert Packer, Esq; Incumbent, the Reverend Dr. Stratford.

On the North Wall of the Chancel is crected a Grey Marble Monument, Altar wife, in which are drawn, upon several Brass Plates fixed thereto, the Figures following, viz a Man kneeling at a Faldstool in Armour, and out of his Mouth iffues this Scrowl.

Deus, misereatur nostri & benedicat nobis.

A Woman drest in the Habit of her Times, kneeling after the same manner, facing the Man, with this Inscription on a Scrowl.

Illuminet buitum cuum cuper nos.

Behind the Man are Three Sons, and behind the Woman Four Daughters, and under the Figures is this Epitaph. Here, under this Tombe, lyeth buried John Fetiplace, Esquire, and Dorothy his Wife; which John deceased the 11th Day of October, A. Domini, 1524. for whose Soule, of your Charitie, say a Pater Poster and an Abe.

On the South Side of the Chancel lyes a Grave-stone, from whence all the inscribed Brass is stolen but this.

ing a Woman kneeling, with her Son near

Day of November, in the Yeare of our Lord, 1558.

on the South Side of the Chancel is a very fair raised Tomb, whereon lyes the Statue of a Man in Armour (much like that once upon John of Gaunt's Tomb in St. Paul's Cathedral, London.) On a Wreath on his Helm, lying under his Head, is his Crest, viz. an Eagle's Head, and his Feet resting on a Lion. His Lady lyes by his Right Side, drest in the Habit of the Times in which she lived, without any Inscription by which any Discovery can be made to whom it belonged.

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Little FAWLET,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Newbury; has been long the Inheritance of the Family of Moore, one of whom, Sir Richard Moore, is present Patron, Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Holmes.

On the South Side of the East Window, in the Chancel, is a Plate of Brass, bearing a Woman kneeling, with her Son near her, and this Inscription.

A Monument erected by Humfry Gunter, Gent. to the Memory of his deare Wife, Mary, the Daughter of Thomas Cresswell, Gent. who at the Age of 36 Yeares left him and one Son the 6 of Febr. A. 1621.

Grace, Nature, Love, and all good Parts in one, Which Lyfe displaid, Death hides within a Tombe, Where lyeth a faithfull Soule, an holy Heart, A Mary right, who chose the better Part. Which Choice she fully joyed, Joy is her Lott, The happy Goale she run for she hath gott. My mournefull Soule doth wish it where thou art, Till the farewell, sweet Saint, my Heart, my Heart!

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Upon a Marble Grave-stone, laid under the Communion Table, is this Infcription.

Here resteth the Body of Mary Beververley, Wife of William Beververy, of Chaneho, in the County of Bedford, Esquire, after whose decease she lived in her Widdowhood 57 Teares, and dyed the 14th of Aprill, 1658. aged 80 Teares, in pious Memory of whome, Dame Elizabeth More, of South Fally, in Berks, Widdow, and Daughter of the said Mary, hath placed this.

LETCOMBE-REGIS,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Abington; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Hun don.

On a raised Tomb, in the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Under, or near this
Tomb, lieth the Bodies of
George Goodlake, Gent. and
Ann, his Wife, who was Daughter
of Sir Charles Wiseman, Kt.

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She was buryed the 29th of June, 1638.

and he Feb. the 26. 1644.

Here lieth interred the Body
of Thomas Goodlake, Gent. the Son of
George Goodlake, who deceased February
the 15th. Anno Dom. 1694. aged 60 Tears,
who married Ann, the Daughter of
Edmond Wiseman, of Spearsholt Court
in the County of Berks, Esq;

On the Ground, on a Black Marble Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth interr'd the Bodys of
Alexander Fettyplace,
of Letcombe-Regis, Gent.
and Edmond Fettyplace,
of the Middle Temple, London,
Esq; both died in October,
A. D. 1712.
Alexander, {Aged \$55.
Edmond, {Aged \$48.

Upon a rough Stone, in the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Here lieth the Body of Mr. Edward Farmer, late Vicar of this Parish, deceased, who was buried the (263)

in the Tear of Lord,

Upon a rough Stone, in the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body

of Thomas Champion,

of the Middle Temple,

London, Gent. Sonne

of Maister George Champion, of Wantage,

who departed this Life the

last Daye of September,

Anno Domini, 1668.

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On a Black Marble Stone is the following Infcription.

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Johannes Hunsdon,
Hujus Ecclesia, circiter quadringinta Annos,
Fidelis Pastor,

Qui pro feliciori hanc vitam mutavit, Die 30 Martii,

Anno Dom. 1715.

Etatis sua 68.

In eodem Sepulchro conduntur Martha & Margaretæ,

Fil. Amab.

Qua teneris Avnis desiderabantur, Martha,

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Martha, obiit 28 Maii, 1694. Margareta, mortua est, 2 Nov. 1698. Ut magnus erga Virum & filias Amor Innotesceret.

Hunc lapidem, marens posuit,
Martha,
Conjux & Mater amantiss.

On a Monument, fixed to the Wall near the Altar, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
Anne Grove,
the Daughter of Robert,
and Margaret Grove, of
Baulking, Gent. deceased,
who departed this Life the 19th
Day of January, Anno 1669.
hopeing for a glorious
Resurrection with the just,
aged 27.

On the same Wall is a small Monument with this Inscription.

Vita Bulla.
In Memory of
Martha and Margarett, Daughters
of John Hunsdon, Vicar,
and Martha his Wife, who
deceased in the 3d Tear of their Age,

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viz. Martha, May 28. A.D. 1694. Margarett, Nov. 28. 1698.

If Touth, nor Innocence could save,
These pretty Infants from the Grave;
Reader, expect not for to find
A better House, a Fate more kind.

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In a Chest, in this Church, is preserved a Brass Plate, which is broke in two Pieces, and when joyned together, this Inscription may be gathered from it.

Here lyeth William Plokenet, Genitiman, otherwise called William Yong, and Margarete his Wyse, late the Wyse of John York, Gentilman; the whyche Margarete dyed the XXIIII, Day of Aprilis, the Pere of our Lord God, A°. MCCCCLXIII. On whos Sowlys God have Nercy. Amen.

Towards the lower End of the East Window, is painted in the Glass, a Man with a Horn hanging behind him, and his Wife near him, both of them kneeling; under them is this Inscription.

Drate pro animabus Johannis Mermylle, & Alicie Trozis tjus. M m On

Mairina, May

On a Brass Plate set in a small Gravestone, is the Figure of a Woman engraved, at whose Feet is this Epitaph.

Pic jacet Alicia Estbury, sita Johannis Estbury, & Agnetis

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In a Court in this Church, it need reed

BRIGHT WALTON,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Newbury; Patron Robert Eyre, Esq. Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Howse.

In the Chancel, on a Grave-stone, are the Figures of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman in her usual Habit, cut in Brass Plates, and over their Heads are these Verses.

Cujus, dum virit, famam vel lingua maligna Carpere se volvit, ledere non valuit. Post exantlatos Christi virtute labores, Occubuit victor mortis, e invidie.

Under their Feet is this Inscription.

Dui pallus, pro nobis, milerere nobis. Hic ((267)

Pic jacet Jacobus Braybrooke, Armiger, qui obiit septimo Die Maii, Anno Domini, 1590. A Martha Aroz ejus.

Under all are the Figures of Three Sons and Four Daughters.

On a Marble Grave-stone, under the Figures of a Man, and his Wife laid in the middle of the Chancel, is this Infcription.

WILLIAM BRAYBROOKE, Esquire, deceased in the Teare 1592.

who had to Wife Margaret,
Daughter of Richard Midlemoke,
also Esquire, and had Issue
one only Son Richard Braybrooke,
who caused this Monument to be made.

Under the Figure of an Ecclesiastick in his Habit, on a Brass Plate fixed in the South Wall, is this Inscription.

Df your Charite play for the Soule of Master Thomas Yonge, tometyme Parlon of this Church, and Commissarie of Barkeshire; qui obiti octabo Die Seprembris, An°. Domini, 1525.

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In the Cieling of this Church, over the High Altar, are in every Pane the Letters T. I. painted in them.

Upon a Brass Plate fixed in a Marble, under the Figures of a Man in a Gown, with his Wife, and Son between them, in their usual Habits, with this Inscription.

Df your Charitie pray for the Soules of John Newman, and Elyn his wife, and Thomas their Son; which John decelly the 8th Day of Aprill, in the Pere of our Lord God, One Thousand five Pundred and Seaventeen. On whole Soules Ihelu have Apercy. Amen.

In the Chest standing in the Chancel, is laid up a Brass Plate, formerly taken from a Grave-stone, bearing the Pourtraiture of an Ecclesiastick in his Priestly Vestments, and under him this Inscription following.

CHADLEWORTH,

Under the Stone of Sureh my thoses ou

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Newbury; Patrons the Dean and Chapter of Westminster; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Pocock.

In the North Wall of the Chancel is a small Monument with this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Dorothy Nelfon, Wife of William Nelfon, E/q; chief Prothonotary of the Common Pleas, who departed this Life the last Day of Aprill, in the Teare of our Lord God, 1619. being of the Age of 86 Teares, and had Issue 7 Children.

Above the Inscription is her Figure kneeling, and behind her 5 Sons and 2 Daughters; (but here is a mistake, for I was informed that she had but one Son) underneath the Inscription are these Verses.

It was not many Yeares that made me good, Neither was it the Vigour of my Blood; For if so, then my Goodness might have passed, And as I did, have ceased to be at last, But 'twas the Grace my Maker did inshrine.

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As my Soule now amongst the chosen blest, Under this Stone although my Bones do rest.

On the fame Monument is represented another Woman kneeling at a Faldstool, having the Pigures of four Sons, and two Daughters behind her, with this Inscription.

Under this Tombe lyeth interred the Body of Mary Nelson, Daughter of Stephen Ducket, Esquire, and Wife of Thomas Nelson, of this Parish, Esq; who on the 13th of March, A. Dom. 1618. exchanged thys Lyfe for a better, being of the Age of 30 Yeares, and had Issue Seaven Children.

If thou Religious art that passeth by, Stay and read on; as thou art, so was I. If thou art blest with Children, and doest (crave

In God's true Feare, them trained up to have, Reade on againe, and to thy selfe thus tell, Here she doth lye that was my Parible; Or art thou Bounteous, Hospitable, Free, Beloved of all, and they beloved of thee, Meeke, full of Mercy, and so truly good, As Flesh can be, and sprung of gentle Blood; If thou art so, to thyne owne deare selfe say, Who on her Grave my Monument did lay?

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But if to those, thou knows thy self but Chaff. Pass on thy Way, read not my Epitaph.

On the South Side of the Churchyard, on a raised Tomb-stone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth buried the Body of MAR-GARET BLANDY, first Wife of ADAM BLANDY, who departed this Lyse the 3d Day of Dec. A. Domini, 1593. and had Issue 16 Children.

On a Grave-stone, near adjoyning, is this Inscription.

Here lyes buried the Body of Anne BLANDY, second Wife of ADAM BLAN-DY, who departed this Lyse the 19th of October, Ano. Domini. 1600.

On a Grave-stone, lying near Margaret Blandy's Stone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth buried the Body of ADAM
BLANDY, eldest Son of ADAM BLANDY, who departed this Lyse the 19th
of March, Ano. Domini, 1619.

At the Foot of a fair raifed arched Monument is the following Incription en-

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engraven, next to the last mentioned Grave-stone.

Here lyeth the Body of ADAM BLAN-DY, of Inglewood, the Son of John BLANDY, of Letcombe-Basset, and entombed at the Charge of KATHERINE his Wife

At the Foot of another arched Monument, adjoyning, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of EDWARD BLANDY, Citizen of London, who

PETSEMORE,

Is a Rectory in the Hundred of Faircross, and Deanery of Newbury. Patron Mr. Sherley; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Sherley.

In the Chancel, on a Brass Plate fixed to a Grave-stone, is this Epitaph.

Here lyeth the Body of THOMAS
STAMPE, of this Parish, Gent. He
departed this World, the 4th Day of
June, 1636. at the Age of 72 Teares.

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I am the Stone that here am set to show,
That Thomas Stampe lyes here interr'd below,
Whose Love unto this Place, the World, the Poore,
Renowned him here, now crowne him evermore.
A private Lyse, which he so much desired,
Obscured his Vertues, made him less admired;
This, for Conclusion, to his Praise belongs,
He suffered much; free from the guilt of Wrongs.

HAMSTED-NORRIS.

So called from the noble and antient Family of Norris's, who have some Estate here; one of whom, James Norris, Esq; was High-Sheriff of Oxfordshire in 1715. It is a Vicaridge situate in the Hundred of Fair-cross, and Deanery of Newbury. Patron is John Dod, of the Inner Temple, in London, Esq; Member of Parliament for the City of Wells, in Somersetshire; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Davis.

Under the Figure of a Man in a short Gown, on a Brass Plate fixed to a Gravestone, is this Inscription.

Pic jacet Ricardus Smert, qui obiit 23 Die Maii, 1468. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

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On another Brass Plate, in a Marble near adjoyning, is this Inscription.

Dic jacet Johannes Pocock, qui obtit 21 Die Menlis Junii, An. Domini, Millimo CCCCLXXXXIII. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

TATTENDON,

Is a Rectory, and part of the Estate of the Norris's, lyes about a Mile from Hamsted, in the same Hundred and Deanery. Patron, James Norris, Esq; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Pennington.

At the Foot of the East Window, on the left Hand, are the Pictures, in Glass, of a Man in a short Blue Fur Gown, and two Women in Blue Gowns, kneeling also behind him, and behind them two Sons and two Daughters. The like Figures seem to have been painted at the right Hand of the said Window, opposite to the former. At the bottom of the Window, on the Glass, is this Inscription. Ozate pro bono statu Johannis...
CCCC.... & Regis prefat.
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In the South Windows of the Chancel is this Inscription.

Drate pro bono statu Johannis Noreys, Armiger, qui istam Ecclesiam nova ediscavit.

In a North Window, Westward, is this Inscription.

Drate pro bono statu Johannis

South East of this Place lyes BUCKLE-BURY, a Seat of the late Sir Henry Winchescomb, (said to be descended from the wealthy Clothier of Newbury) whose Daughter, and Coheiress, was married to Henry St. John, late Viscount Boling-broke, in whose Right he possesses this Estate.

STANFORD-DINGLEY,

So called, to distinguish it from two other Places of the same Name, in the Hundred of Gansield, and Reading, is a Rectory in the Hundred of Fair Cross, and Deanery of Newbury. Patron Mr. Sayer; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Sayer.

This Manor was in the Possession of Reginald Fitz-Herbert, who dying in 1285. by an Assignation, made it over to his Wife Yoan. It afterwards was enjoyed by the noble, and antient Family of Clare, of whom Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Gloucefter, flain at the Battle of Bannocks-Bourn, near Strivelin, (having first fettled it on his Wife Mand, in 1314.) in default of Male Issue, made his Three Sisters Co-heiresfes. On 8 Feb. 1348. the Day of Hugh de Spencer's Death, we find it in his Possession, from whom it descended to Elizabeth, his Wife, who dying 20 June, 1358. left it to her Husband's Brother's Son, Edward, who dying upon Martinmals Day, 1374. left it to his Wife, Elizabeth, who died in 1409. This came afterwards into the Hands of Richard Nevil, Earl of Margeick, and onenis Demise, on Easter-Day, (277)

Day, 1470. descended to his Wife, who was, in a manner, forced to settle it by an Act of Parliament on her Two Daughters, married to George Duke of Clarence, and Richard Duke of Gloucester. This Settlement held till 1487. but was then repealed, and by a special Feossment dated 13 Dec. it was conveyed over to King Hen. VII. by the old Countess of Warwick.

In the North Ile lyes a Grave-stone, whereon is the Figure of a Woman in her usual Habit, with the following Epitaph.

Sub jacet hoc lapide Mergret Dynley tumulata, Duondam Willelmi Dynley conjur vocitata, Armigeri Regis medo, vermibus esca parata. M Dni. C quater, quater X quater I cadit illa Romani festo Jesus ergo sui memoz esto.

At the Feet of the former lyes a little Stone, whereon is the Figure of a Man in a Gown, on Brass, and under his Feet this Epitaph.

Here lyeth the Body of JOHN LYFORD, Citizen, and Merchant Taylour of London; who departed the 10th Day of Aprill, Ano. 1610. aged 71 Yeares, borne in this Parish of Stanford, who had 18 Children.

CHEVELY,

Is a Vicaridge in the Hundred of Fair-Cross, and Deanery of Newbury. Patron Mr. Pocock; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Trigge. In this Parish is a Seat called Priour's Court.

Loe, here he lyeth, whose Vertues rare, in Law, whose learned Skill,

A Mirrour was unto the good, a Terror to the ill.

If just Men's Soules doe live with God, if Wildome merrit Fame,

Who doubts but Heaven his Soule doth keepe, as Earth retains his Name.

WELFORD,

Is a Rectory in the Hundred of Fair-Cross, and Deanery of Newbury. Patron Mr. Sherly; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Sherly. In this Place is a Seat belonging to Mr. Archer.

Near to the East Window, against the North Wall of the Chancel, is erected a fair fair Monument, where there is a Woman in her usual Habit, kneeling at a Desk, and under her is this Inscription.

Anna Gulielmi Rede, Militis, filia Adriani Fortescue, & postea
Thome Parry, Militum, Uxor, bic
sita est. Reliquit ex numerosa proles
superstites ex Fortescuo filios tres, filias duas. Ex Parrio duos filios & filiam unam, cateris immature decedentibus, ipsa vero, cum utriusque familia
fundamenta restaurasset, Atatis sua
Anno 75. Humanitatem exuit quinto Januarii, Anno Domini,
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R. Elizabetha Regnante.

Engraven on the Foreside of this Monument, under the former, is this Inscription.

THOMAS FORTESCUE, f. Matri optimæ posuit.

In the middle of the Chancel, under the Figure of a Priest in his Vestments, having a shorn Crown, are these Verses, on a Brass Plate fixed to the Grave-stone.

Quisquis eris, qui transieris, sta, perlege, ploza, Sam quod eris, sueramque quod es, pzo me pzecoz vza. Bez Christe Westlake anime miserere Johannis.

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Upon another Brass Plate, on a Gravestone, on the South Side of the Chancel, is this Inscription

Of your Charite pray for the Soules of John Younge, John, Thomas, Elyn, and Susan, his Children, whose Soules Ihelupardon.

WINTERBORNE Chapel,

Is a Chapel of Ease to Chevely," in which Parish it lyes.

In 1329. I find a Charter of Free Warren, in this Lordship, granted to John Grey, Son of Robert, and Nephew of Walter, Arch-Bishop of York.

On a Free-stone, in the Chancel, is this Inscriptiou.

Here lyeth the Body of John Pococke, who departed the First of October, 1657.

In the Belfry there lyes a thick Plank of Wood, formerly it seems to have been a Monument over a Grave, and on the upper (281)

upper Part of it is imbossed a double Cross.

About a Mile from Newbury lyes

SHAW,

In the Hundred of Fair-Cross, washed by the rapid Kennet, where is a handsome House, Garden, and Park, lately belonging to Sir Thomas Doleman, Kt. and on his decease descended to his Nephew. Of the Family of Doleman, I find one, Thomas, was High-Sheriff of this County in 1588. Sir George Lisle, murdered in cold Blood, by that infamous Rebel, Fairfax, was at the second Newbury Battle in 16... posted here. Over the Portico is a mangled Inscription, of which take the following Draught, though little can be concluded from it.

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ΦΘΟΝΕΡΟΣ Here is a Fleur de Lie.

ΜΗΔΕΙΣ. ΠΣΙΤΑ. Ι.

A little higher.

EDENTULUS II VESCENTIN.

DENTIBUS + INVIDET.

ET OCULOS + CAPREARUM +

TAI. PA II. C. CONTEMNIT.

O o Within

Within this Parish, in the high Road to Oxford, is a handsome Seat belonging to Thomas Cowslade, Esq; Barrister at Law, of the Inner Temple, in London. Patron Mr. Doleman; Rector, the Reverend Mr. Hinton.

North West of Newbury, adjoyning on this Parish, lyes

SPEEN,

The antient Roman Spina, a Town of great Antiquity, and no less Reputation. Through it runs the River Kennet. It is a Vicaridge in the Hundred of Fair-Cross, and Deanery of Newbury. Patron the Bishop of Sarum; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Sandyland.

This Manor was in the Possession of Spencer, and at his Death came Hugh as Daughter of Philip to his Wife, Aliva, Daughter of Philip Basset, of Wicombe in Buckinghamshire, who died in 1280. and left it to that noted Favourite, Hugh de Spencer, senior, her Son. In 1297. he had a Charter granted him by King Edw. 1. of Free Warren, in this Lordship, and in 1325. was murdered, and

restored by King Ed. 3. to Hugh, a Son of the younger de Spencer, who died in quiet Possession (excepting an Annuity granted 1326. to Tho. de Brotherton, Earl of Norfolk) 8 Febr. 1348. leaving Edward, Son of his Brother Edward, his Heir. In 1397. Thomas of Woodstock, Earl of Buckingham, and Duke of Gloucester, in right of Alianore, his Wife (one of the Daughters, and Heirs of Humfrey de Bohun, Earl of Hereford and Essex) was seized of two Parts of the Manor of Woodspene: These were afterwards granted to Edmund de Strafford, 1399. who died in 1402.

At the End of the South Ile, called Castilion's Ile, stands a fair raised Monument of Free-stone, whereon lyes the Statue of a Man in Armour, having a Helmet lying under his Head, and his Feet resting upon his Crest, on the Ledge of the Tomb is this Epitaph circumscribed.

Mic jacet Jo. Baptist Castilion, Aramiger, quondam Dominus de Benham, in Comitatu Berks, qui obiit 12 Febr. An. Domini, 1597.

Over against the said Monument, in the Wall next the Chancel, stands another raised Monument of Free Stone also, whereon lyes the Statue of a Woman in the Dress of her Time, and over all a large Veil, and this Inscription.

Domina Elizabetha Castilion, ex pranobili & inclita familia de St. John
de Bletnesho, Uxori dulcissima &
desideratissima, qua in puerperio,
obiit 28. Dec. 1603. Anno Atatis 27.
Franciscus Castillion, Miles, in
perpetuum sidei & amoris
Conjugalis Monumentum posuit,
1604.

Near unto the North Wall of the Chancel lyes a Grave-stone, bearing a Plate of Brass, with the Figure of a Priest in his Vestments, holding a Chalice and Pix between his Hands, out of his Mouth issues this Scrowl.

Adhelit anima mea post te ne sufcepit dertra tua. Ihefu Mercy, graunt Mercy. Under his Feet is this Inscription.

Of your Charite pray for the Soule of Sir John Foster, tumetime Parlon of Upway, and Aicar of this Church, who departed the Second Day of May, in the Pere of our Lord God, 1533. On whole Soule Ihelu have Apercy. Amen.

In the Limits of this Parish, situate upon an Eminence, is DONNINGTON Castle, which is said to have been erectby Sir Richard de Adderbury, to whom this Lordship belonged. When in its Glory it was a handsom, well fortified Place, and had underneath it an Hospital for feveral Poor. This, in process of Time, became the Seat of Sir Geoffry Chaucer, the Prince of English Poetry, who compofed many of his celebrated Pieces under an Oak in this Park, of which more hereafter. His Son, Thomas Chaucer, Esq; was High Sheriff of this County in 1400. whose Daughter, Alice, was married to William de la Pole, Duke of Suffolk, from whom it descended, and was by a Grant from King Hen. VIII. bestowed on Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk. In the unnatural

tural Rebellion, this Place was in the Possession of Mr. John Packer, and was garrisoned by King Charles I. under the Command of Sir John Boys, and was of great Use, that it commanded the great Roads from the West to London, and from Oxford to Newbury: It was once belieged by the Rebels under Colonel Horton, who raifed a Battery against it at the Foot of a Hill near Newbury, by which he demolished Three of the Towers, and a part of the Wall. In Nineteen Days Time there was above 1000 great Shot fpent ineffectually on the brave Loyalifts, who held out against the Menaces of Manchester's whole Army, in a Sally beat the Rebels out of their Trenches, killed a Lieutenant Colonel, and their chief Engineer, and held out till they were relieved by the King, who, at Newbury, honoured the couragious Governour with Knighthood. After the Second Newbury Fight, in it was again befieged, having, during that Battle, under the Protection of its Cannon, preserved the Royal Ammunition and Baggage, but was again relieved by the King, and the Rebel General, Effex, was forced to raise the Siege; a Proceeding which lessened his Interest with his Masters at Westminster, who foon after cashiered him, and put his ComCommand into other Hands, whom they could with more certainty trust. celebrated Naturalist, and Philosopher. John Evelyn, Efq; of Wotton, in the County of Surrey, and F. R. S. in his Discourse of Forest Trees, printed at London in 1664. Fol. page. 83. gives us an Account of three Oaks in this Park, faid to be planted by the famous Chaucer himself, "One of " which was called the King's, the other " the Queen's, and a Third Chaucer's " Oak. The first was Fifty Foot in " height, before any Bough or Knot ap-" peared, and cut Five Foot Square at the " Butt-end, all clear Timber. The Queen's " was fell'd fince the Wars, and held " Forty Foot excellent Timber, straight " as an Arrow in Growth and Grain, and " cutting Four Foot at the Stub, and " near a Yard at the Top; besides, a " Fork of almost Ten Foot clear Tim-" ber above the Shaff, which was crown-" ed with a shady Tuft of Boughs, amongst " which, some were on each side curved " like Rams Horns, as if they had been fo " industriously bent by Hand. This Oak " was of a Kind fo excellent, cutting a " Grain clear as any Clap-board (as ap-" peared in the Wainscot which was made thereof) that a Thousand Pities it is " fome Seminary of the Arcons had not " been

" been propagated to preserve the Species. " Chaucer's Oak, though it were not of " these Dimensions, yet was it a very " goodly Tree, This Soil is a fort of gravelly Clay, moistned with small and " frequent Springs." This Estate has been, for some Generations, in the gentile Family of Packers, one of whom, Mr. John Packer, had it during the Rebellion, from whom it came to his Son Philip, who dying without Issue, it descended to a Brother, and is now in the Possession of Robert Packer, Esq; of Shelingford Castle, in this County, and one of the Representatives of this County in Parliament.

NEWBURT Town.

The Town of NEWBURT is situate in the Hundred of Fair-Cross, is a Vicaridge in the Gift of the Crown. It arose out of the Ruins of Speen, and part of it, near that Place, is called Spinham Land. This was, long since, a Town of considerable Antiquity and Regard: At the Conquest it was bestowed on Ernulph de Hesain, to whose great Grandson it descended, who was killed at the Siege of Lincoln; his Heir, the Bishop of Chalons, fold it to William Marshall, Earl of Pembroke,

broke, who held it in his Family, till Roger Bigod, Earl Marshal, for his Obstinacy, lost it in the Reign of King Hen. III. This Town increasing in building and Inhabitants, the Clothing Manufacture met with so great Encouragement, that John Winchescombe, commonly called Jack of Newbury, became in the Reign of King Hen. VIII. the most eminent Clothier in England, in so much, that he kept an Hundred Looms, and well clothed, armed, and marched his little Army of 100 to the Expedition as Flodden Field. His House was visible here in the last Century, but now divided into feveral Tenements. This Place has been Remarkable for nothing more, than having been the Scene of Action between King Charles I. and the Rebel Parliament, on 20 Septemb. 1643, and 27 Octob. 1644. This Place is faid, formerly, to have had Representatives in Parliament, but petitioned to be discharged of that Expence, which had they kept to these Days, they had not only been excused their Salary, but enriched their Town, as many others do by Elections of this Nature. It had loft most of its Clothing Trade, which the Navigation of the River Kennet hither, now begun, will probably recover. fituated in a most fruitful Plain; the Pp Streets

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Streets are spacious, particularly the Market-House, over which is the Guild-Hall. and where meet, for the Government of the Town, the Mayor, High-Steward, Recorder, Aldermen, and capital Burgesses. The Market is weekly, on Thursday, and is well stored with Corn, and other Provisions, at a reasonable Rate. It is noted for Trouts and Craw-fish, which are preserved in Trunks, in running Streams. Here are Three certain, and Two uncertain Fairs, viz. 24 June, 24 Aug. 30 Novemb. the first Monday in Lent, and Ascension Day. Here is a Charity School for 40 Boys, endowed with 40 £. \ Annum by the Corporation, besides an Estate of 25 £. annually, fettled by a Gentleman. Near the Market Place stands the Church, adorned with a square Tower Westward, which, with the Pulpit, was built by John Winchescombe.

At the East End of the Chancel, on a Brass Plate fixed to a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of GEORGE WIDLEY, Master of Arts, and Minister of God's Word. (291)

He departed this Life the 23d of September, 1641. aged 73 Yeares.

Near the former, on another Gravestone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of FRANCIS TRENCHARD, of Normanton, in the County of Wilts, Esq; who departed this Lyfe, the Sixt of November, 1635. leaving Is a Elizabeth, his only Child.

On another Marble Grave-stone, near the former, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of John Edmunds, late Alderman, and twice Maior of this Towne of Newbury, who married Elizabeth, the Daughter of Edward Goddard, of Eastwood Hay, in the County of Southampton, Esquire. He dyed the 26th Day of October, 1654. in the 59 Yeare of bu Age; for whose pious Memory his loving Wife caused this Memoriall.

On another Grave-stone, lower in the Chancel, is this Inscription.

A Memoriall of my Father, Mr. Hugh Shepley, sometyme Rector, and Par-Pp 2 son fon of this Church, and Towne of Newbury; who was borne at Prescott, in Lancashire, 1536. and was buried here the 3d of May, 1596. aged 70 Yeares.

On a Brass Plate, fixed in the same Stone, is the following Inscription.

Full Eight and Twenty Yeares he was your Pastor,
As he was taught to seede by Christ his Master;
By preaching of God's Word, good Lyse, good Example,
(Food for your Soules, sit for God's House or Temple)
He loved Peace, abandoned all Strise,
Was Friend to Strangers, Neighbours, Children, Wise.
A Lamb like Man, born on an Easter-Day,
So lived, so dyed, so lives again for aye.
As one Spring the Heavens received him in.

JOHN SHERLEY, Citizen Broderer of London.

Amore, Veritate, & Reverentia,

At the East End of the South Ile lyes a Grave-stone, with Brass Plates on it, of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman in the Habit of her Times, with the Epitaph following under their Feet.

Here lyeth Henry Wynchcombe, Gentylman, and Annes bis Wife; whyche Henry• (293)

Henrye deceasify the 3d Day of October, in the Tere of our Lord, 1562. and was of the Age of 40 Yeres.

On a Marble Grave-stone, lying Eastward of the former, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of ELIZABETH, Daughter of James Bond, of this Parish. She had Tsue, Hugh, Son of Hugh Row, of Great Torrington, in Devon. She dyed the 20th of Aprill, 1659.

Low, here she is deprived of Lyfe, Which was a verteous and a loving Wife, Untill the Graves againe restore Their dead, and Time shall be no more. She was brought a Bed, but Spous above, And dyed to pay the living Pledge of Love.

In the South Wall of the Church, near the East Light, is a large Monument, erected upon 3 Columns; in the Space between the two First, is the Statue of a Man in Armour, kneeling, in Stone; between the other Two are the Figures of Three Daughters, Six Sons, and 5 little Daughters; and on the Ledge of the Monument, under the Man, is engraved,

HIC JACET GRIFFINUS CURTEUS, ARMIGER.

Upon the Upper Ledge.

Velle bene facere.

Lower, in the South Ile, on a Brass Plate, is this Epitaph.

Here lyeth interred the Body of WIL-LIAM HOWES, of Newbury, Gent. He dyed the 29 of June, 1637. aged 63, who left behind him MARGARET, his Wife, 4 Sons, and 13 Daughters.

On a Grave-stone, in the middle Ile, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Mr. RICHARD COOKE, of this Towne, who dyed January the 28th. 1660.

In the North Ile, near the Chancel, under the Figures of a Man and Woman, on Brass Plates, is this Epitaph.

De your Charite pray for the Soule of John Smalwood, alias Winchom, and Alice his Wife; which

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which John dyed the 15th Day of February, An. Dom. 1519.

Upon another Plate of Brass, under the Figure of a Man and Woman, is this Infcription.

Deate peo animabus Ricardi Aubrye, & Isabelle Uroris ejus, parentum, & siliozum, consanguineozum, amicozum suozum, & omnium sidelium defunctozum. Dui Ricardus obiit 4° Die Menüs Marcii, An°. Domini, 1469.

Duozum animabus propicietur Deus. Amen.

Upon another Brass Plate, under the Pourtraitures of a Man and Woman, is this following Inscription.

Pere lyeth the Body of PHILIPP KIFTELL, and MARGERY his Wife; which Philipp being of the Age of Threescope and Thirteene Deares, decessed the 26 of Aprill, in the Deare of our Lord, 1592.

SANDLEFORD Chapel.

Upon the first Ascent of Steps, towards the High Altar, lyes a Free-stone Tomb of a Knight in Male, cross-legged, with a deep Shield on his left Arm, and seeming to draw his Sword, his Feet resting on a Dragon.

Written on the North Wall of the Chapel, but more antiently on the West Wall, is this Inscription.

Lancea, crup, claví,
Spine, Mors quam tolleraví,
Demonstrant qua ví
Miserozum crimina laví
In cruce sum pzo te, qui peccas
Desine pzo me desine, do veniam,
Dic culpam, corrige vitam.

BRIMPTON,

Is a Vicaridge in the Hundred of Fair-Cross, and Deanery of Newbury; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Worrell. On a Grave-stone, under the South Window of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the

Body of ALEXANDER

CHOKKE, the Son

of ALEXANDER and

ANNE CHOKKE, cf

Hyde; who dyed

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On a Blue Marble Grave stone, at the Entrance into the Chancel, is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Body of JOHN HYDE, Esquire, who dyed the 7th of June, 1664.

FARNEBOROUGH,

Is a Rectory in the Hundred of Compton, and Deanery of Newbury. Patron Mr. Ralph Price; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Bartholomew Price.

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In the Chancel, on Two Monuments, are the two following Inscriptions.

Bartholomeus
Price,
Una cum perchara conjuge
Maria, filioque
Bartholomeo, hic infra
placide requiescit.

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| The Aprilis, Anno Domini, 1677.
| Etatis sue 54°. |
| 30 Die Junii, Anno Domini, 1686.
| Etatis sue 52°. |
| 1mo. Die Septembris, Anno Domini, 1668.
| Etatis sue 11mo. |

Quorum Sacra Memoria hoc marmoreum ponitur Monumentum.

On another Monument is this Inscription.

Hic prope
Reconduntur ut in
Vita, sic in morte juncti
Gulielmus Garnam,
Armiger.

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Et illius Uxor Maria, Vir conjugis
charissima amantissimus, Famina
viro amantissima, obsequiosissima:
Ille tribus, Jacobo scilicet primo,
Caroloque primo, & secundo Britannia
Regibus inserviebat. Postque omnes
Piissimorum & justorum Parentum
Partes peractas sanctis Calestibus
ambo tandem adnumerabantur.

Illa Obiit 22° Die Aprilis, Anno
Domini, 1669.

Etatis sua 67mo.
16 Die Januarii, Anno
Domini, 1683.

Etatis sua 80mo.

East GARSTON,

Is a Vicaridge in the Hundred of Lamborne, and Deanery of Newbury; in the Gift of Christ Church College in Oxford; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Kempe.

I find this Account of this Place in Blount's Tenures, page 14. "In 11 Ed. 3." (1282.) Paganellus de Cadurcis, i. e. "Pain Chaworth, was found to be seized of a Messuage, and 400 Acres of Land in East Gareston, in Com. Berks, held by Q q 2 "the

" the Service of finding a Knight armed " with Plate Armour in the King's Ar-" my, when it should be in the Territory " of Kidwelly in Wales. - pag. 38. " - Patricius de Cadurcis tenet Mane-" rium de East Gareston, in Com. Berks. " Per Serjantiam inveniendi unum Armi-" gerum armatum essendi in anteriori parte exercitus Domini Regis in West Gales " tempore guerra per xl. Dies sumptibus " propriis." I find this, among other Manors, in the Possession of Henry Duke of Lancaster, at his Death, 24 March, 1360. when it was divided between his Two Daughters, Maud married to Ralph, Son and Heir of Ralph, Lord Stafford, and after his Death to William Duke of Zealand; Blanch married to John of Gaunt Earl of Richmond, Fourth Son to King Edward the Third, afterwards Duke of Lancaster. This was assigned to Maud the eldest, by an Assignation made 16 July, 1360. who dying without Issue on Palm Sunday, 1361. this, with the rest of her Share, descended to her Sister Blanch, the next Heir, who died 1368. and left this in the Possession of her Husband, John Duke of Lancaster, who died in 1398. Some Years fince this Manor belonged to the Family of Gastrell, at present to Mr. Jones of Ramesbury, who was

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was Nephew and Heir to Sir William Jones.

In a Chapel, on the North Side of the Chancel, on a flat Grave-stone, is this Infcription.

Here lyeth Mr. Ephraim Gastrell, the 13th Child, and youngest Sonne of Henry and Cicely Gastrell, who deceased Aug. 22. 1635. being at the Age of 26 Tears.

Christ was to me in Life, 3 Advantage.

On another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Hic jacet Henricus Gastrell, filius Henrici Gastrell, ob. 20 Die Martii, 1635.

On another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Hic jacet Benjamin Gastrell, filius Henrici Gastrell, septimus, ob. 6 Die Aug. Anno Domini, 1636. was Machow and Heir to he William

On another Grave-stone, laid, as I am informed, for one of the Name of Gastrell, a Barrister at Common Law, are these Arms, viz.

Checquey, on a Chief, 3 Bucks Heads couped, the Creft a Talbot's Head erased.

AVINGTON,

Is a Rectory in the Hundred of Kentbury, and Deanery of Newbury; Lord of the Manor, and Patron, is Mr. Jones of Romesbury in Wiltshire; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Thomas Hawes, M. A.

In the Chancel, on a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

William James, Esq. deceased June 24. 1666. aged 47.

Enter, dear Soul, into thy Master's Joyes, Body rest there, till summoned by His Voice.

On another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Boulton James, Armiger, Ætatis 38. Annorum, ob. 4 Die Dec. An. Dom. 1693. Arms, Arms, are Gules, a Dolphin Or, empaling a Chevron Ermin, betwist Three Unicorns Heads couped; the Creft is a Cock.

On another Grave stone is this Inscrip-

Here lyeth the Body of Sarah James,
Widow, and Relich of William James,
late of Denford, Esq; deceased.
Obiit 21 Dec. Ann. Edmini, 1699.

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Or, a Chevron, betwixt Three Cherries,

Gules, stalked proper.

On an Atchievement near, is quarterly
I. and VI. James — II. Or, a Chief
Ar. Over all a Lion Ramp. Gul.—
III. Ermin, on a Chief indented, Az.
3 Griffons Heads erased, Or, — IV. Sab.
a Falcon, Arg. beaked, belled, and armed,
Or, — V. Gul. 3 Wolves Heads erased,
Or, empaling quarterly I. and IV. the
Cherries as before — II. and III. Sab.
a Chevron, Ermin, between Three Spears
Heads, Arg. — James's Crest is an
Ostrich, Arg. beaked and legged, Gules.
His Lady's is a Demy Lion, Rampant, issuing

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ing out of a Torce, Or, holding a Cherry proper. The Motto — Fayme a jamais — This is for Mr. William James above-mentioned.

READING Hundred.

BLEWBURT,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Abington, in the Gift of the Bishop of Salisbury; the present Incumbent is the Reverend Mr. Joseph Acres.

In the middle of the Chancel, on a Brass Plate fixed in a Marble Grave-stone, under the Pourtraiture of a Priest in his Habit, is the following Inscription.

Picjacet Dominus Johannes Balam, nuper Vicarius istius Ecclesie, qui obiti 25 Die Mens. Maii, An°. Domini, 1436. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Brass Plate, fixed in a Grave-stone, about the middle of the middle Ile of the Church, is this following Inscription.

pear for the Soule of John Calberd, one of the good Benefactors to this Church.

On whole Soule Inelu have Mercy. Amen.

On the South Side of the middle Ile is a raised Tomb, whereon, in Brass Plates, are the Figures of a Man in Armour, and a Woman near him; and under the following Inscription are the Pourtraitures of five Sons and two Daughters.

Of your Charite play for the Soll of Dame Alice Daunce, Daughter of Thomas Latton, Gentl late the Wife of Dr. John Daunce, Knight, Councellour, and Surveyor General unto one Soveraigne Lord King Henry the Eighte, whyche departed the 27 Day of August, in the Pere of our Lord God. 1523. On whose Soll Ihelu have Merecy. Amen.

At the Foot of the last Monument lye Two other Grave-stones; on the one are Brass Plates of a Man in Armour lying between his two Wives, but the Clark's Seat is erected over the Epitaph; under R r each (306)

each Wife are the Figures of two Sons and three Daughters. Under the hidden Epitaph of the other Stone are the Figures of fix Sons and nine Daughters, cut in Brafs, whose Names follow.

William, Thomas, Anthony, John, Bartholomew, John.

Under the Pourtraitures of the Daughters.

Alice, Elizabeth, Mary, Margarett, Dozothy, Friswith, Jane, Susanna, Anne.

Above are the Figures of a Man in Armour, lying also between his two Wives, and over their Heads these following Coats of Arms, impaled, viz. of Latton, Percy, Isbury, and Sychevyle.

East HENDRED.

About three Miles E. of Wantage lies East Hendred, formerly written East Henreth, * which, though now but a Village

^{*} Dugdale's Monasticon Anglicanum, Vol. 1. p. 976, 977.

of between fix and feven Score Houses, was, at the Suppression of Monasteries, a confiderable Market-Town. It flands on the Borders of the Vale of White Horse. at the Foot of the Downs, under Cuckam-Rey-Hill. It is but a fingle Parish, though fituate in two different Hundreds, that of Wantage and that of Reading; and in it are five Manors, in all which is kept a Court-Baron, and in three of them a Court-Leet. So there belongs to this Parish three Constables and three Tyth-

ing-men.

It was in the Possession of John Duke of Bedford, Protector, and Regent of France, who dying 14 Septemb. 1435, left it to his Prince and Ward, Henry VI. who bestowed it on the Priory of Carthusian Monks of JESUS of Bethlem at Sheene in Surrey. It was bestowed upon that Monastery by King Henry VI. who by his Charter, bearing Date April 1. in the 3d Year of his Reign, granted to the Prior and Monks of this Convent, for the Benefit of this their Manor of East Hendred. It has a Weekly Market, upon Tuesday, and two Fairs yearly, the one called St. Augustin's Fair, which began the 24th of May, two Days before the Festival, and lasted till the Day after; the other was called St. Catherine's Fair, and began the 23d

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23d of November, and continued to the

26th, the Day after the Festival.

The same King Henry, by the same Charter, exempts East Hendred from all Taxes and Impositions, granted them the Liberty of Infangtheof and Outsangtheof, and View of Frank Pledge of all their Tenants and Residents, with a Pillory and Tombrel, and Privilege to erect a Gallows for Malesactors.

In this Manor, on the North East Side of the Town, there stands an old Chapel of Free-stone, supposed to have been built by the Monks of Sheene, because it stands in this Manor, and was about a hundred Years ago called the Chapel of JESUS of Bethlem. It is now called Champ's Chapel, lying near, and belonging to one Mr. Champ. The upper Part for these many Years has been turned into a Pidgeon-house, and the lower into a Bakehouse and Washing-house.

In the North West Field of this Parish, which is also in this Manor, there are several Acres and half Acres of Ground, intermixed with the Arable Land of that

[†] i. e. A Power and Priviledge of judging Thieves taken within their Liberties.

Field, which lye untilled, and to which no Body lays any Claim. It is probable this untilled Ground formerly belonged to some Chaplain that officiated in this Chapel, and that the People cared not to meddle with it, for fear of the Imprecations laid upon the

Invaders of the Church Lands.

The Manor was probably heretofore far more confiderable than 'tis at present. For in a Close, in the very Heart of the Town, some old Foundations are found, and Holes overgrown with Grafs, Suppofed by some to have formerly been Wells. There are now about forty Customary Tenants, which owe Suit and Service to the Court here held; the greatest Part of which are Copy-holders of Inheritance. Of this Manor Whitwicke, Elg; holds his Manor of Marleston, near Bucklebury, in this County, and Clarke, Esq; his Manor of Ardington, which is a Village bet ween this Town and Wantage, in which Hundred the Manor we have been fpeaking of lies. It is now in the Hands of the

The fecond Manor is called the Abbey Manor, and was Part of the Possessions of the Abbey of Reading, having been given to that Monastery by Maude the Empress, but in what Year it does not appear. At present it is in the Possession of Charles

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Eyston, Esq; Besides the Farm-House, which is the Capital Messuage, about 20

small Tenements belong to it.

The third Manor is called the Manor of Frampton, and belongs to Edw. Sherwood, Esq; who has born the Office of High Sheriff of the County, and is at present one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace. This Manor is in Wantage Hundred, and formerly belonged to the Abbey of Abington, if we are not misinformed.

The fourth Manor, called New College Manor, in the Hundred of Wantage, is Part of the Possessions of New College in

Oxford. Accessing the photograph and

The fifth and last Manor is called the Manor of Arches. It belongs to Charles Eyston, Esq; afore-mentioned, and came to him by one of his Ancestors marrying the Daughter and Heiress of one William de Arches. This is the only Manor of the five that never belonged to the Church. To Mr. Eyston's Seat, which is the chief Messuage, there is annexed an old Chapel, called in some of his Writings the Chauntry of St. Amand and St. John Buptist. There formerly belonged to it a Parsonage House, twelve Acres of Glebe, and the Tythe of the Demesses belonging to Mr. Eyston's House, which are now in the

the Hands of Thomas Torke, of this Parish, Gentleman.

On the South West of East Hendred there is a Cart Road, that leads to West Hendred, called Pater-noster Banoke. On the North Side Bank is a Furlong, called Chapel Furlong, which was held by

praying for the * Dead.

There is a pretty little Brook, which rises at a Place called Ginge, somewhat above a Mile S. W. of this Parish, and runs through West Hendred, and then taking its Course through the Fields of East Heudred, to the W. and N. W. passes by Steventon, Milton, and, having driven several Mills in its Passage, empties it self into the Thames at Sutton-Courtney.

^{*} See Blount's untient Tenures, 8vo. 1679. page 39—. Johannes Pater-noster, tenet unam virgatam terræ cum pertinentiis in East Hanred, in Com. Berks, per Serjantiam dicendo pro anima Domini Regis unum Pater-noster quotidie, & valet per Annum 5 s. Et quidam Willielmus de Insula tenuit unam carucatam terræ cum pertinentiis in West Hanred, per Serjantiam emendi Cervisiam ad opus Domini Regis; & valet per Annum 100 s. — Placit. Coron. apud Windesor, 12 Edward 1. (1283.) Rot. 29. in Dosse.

Upon a fair veined Black Marble, laying on a Tomb in the South Ile, are the Figures of a Man in Armour, and a Woman in her usual Habit, under whom are these Verses engraven.

Eystonus gelida jacet hac sub mole Joannes
Spes miserûm, generis gratia, plebis amoz
Pet tamen hic toties, sola hic sunt osa: Petivit
Mens Celum, Pundum glozia, cozpus humum.
Jana Buringtona de stirpe Creata Remansit
Spe viduata sua, jam viduata viro.
Patos tres (vivos) natam solamque reliquit,
Conjugis hoc conjur Pignus amantis habet.
Pujus ad eremplum bene vivere discito (Lectoz)
Et bene si disces vivere, disce mozi.

He deceased the 3d Day of March, 1589. Anno Ætatis 58.

Underneath are the Figures of four Sons and one Daughter.

On another Black Marble Grave-stone, bearing a White Marble, are the following Verses.

Quis jacet hoe tumulo Guliel Mus? stemmata quaris?

Ex THATCHERORUM sanguine Clara Tulit.

Quod Vita studium, virtus, qui mortis honores,

Illustris Pietas, Relligiosa Fides.

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Hinc licet in cineres corpus mortale recessit;
Ast animus celso regnat ovatque polo.

Obiit 20 Die Aprilis, An. D. 1620. Atatis, sua 40.

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On two Brass Plates, fixed on a Gravestone, in the middle of the Chancel, are engraved the Figures of two Monks in their usual Habits, and under their Feet the following Inscription.

Pic jacent Henrieus Eldysley, a Rogerus Eldysley krater ejus, quandam mercatozes iltius bille. Dui quidem Rogerus obiit 27 Die Menf. Augusti, Ant. Domini, 1439. Duozum animabus propicietur Deus. Amen.

At the Corners of this Stone, in Escotcheons, are the Cyphers of H. E. and R. E. mixed.

On a Brass Plate is this Inscription.

pannarin's Canari', qui obitt XXV. Die Menlis Septembris, An. Oni. Millimo MCCCCLXXIX. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

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In Capitals, on a small Grave-stone, in the shape of a Lozenge.

Here
lyeth the (THE *
Bodie of Margrate, late Wife
of Richard Whiting, deceased
May the 7.
1645.

In the Chancel, on a Black Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Dr. Michael Geddes, Obiit Apr. 12. 1713. Ætat. 65.

On a round Monument of White Marble, near the Communion Table, is this Inscription.

> Near this Place lyeth the Body of Mr. George Cuthbert, late Rector of this Church,

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who dyed the 16th of June, 1710.

aged 57 Tears.

Also Catherine, his former Wife,
who dyed the 16 of Aprill,
1695.

aged 39 Tears.

On a White Marble, in a Lozenge Form, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet Maria Uxor
Domini Roberti Eyston,
Filia Gulielmi Hildesley,
de Hyldesley, & Little Stoake, Armigeri,
Qua obiit VI. Idus obris,
A. D. 1709. Ætatis sua 30.
Requiescat in Pace.

On a White Marble Grave-stone, like the former, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
Benedict Winchcombe, of Cheame,
in the County of Surrey, Gentleman,
who departed this Life the 29th of
Xber, A. D. 1714.

aged 75.

Requiescat in Pace.

On another Grave-stone, of White Marble, is this Inscription.

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Siste,

Sifte, Christiane Lector, viamque paulisper considera Universa carnis illam, dierum, & ut credere fas est meritorum plena, ingressa est An. Dni. 1712. III. nonas Sbris, at. fua, 82. Anna, vidua Georgii Eyston, Armigeri, cui a parentibus Roberto Dormer, de Peterly, Armigero, & Maria Banister, de Indsworth, nuptui tradita est, post Conjugis, cui V. peperant liberos, obitum, castam & operibus Mise icordia exercitam viduitatem per 20 fere & 2 Annos agebat; sed & Domino serviens, juxta monitum Apostoli, spe gaudens, in tribulatione patiens, Orationi instans ac necessitatibus sanctorum communicans, Cum plurima Religionis causa perpessa fuisset, benedixit persequentibus se, benedixit & notuit male dicore, Ut in spem proinde firmissimam erigamur Plenam corlectibus divitiis & aternis mercibus navem Optato in littore eam jam collocasse, Ne quavis tamen fragilitatis labe purganda detineatur Precare, ut liberata, coelefti quam plurimum Requiescat in Pace.

On another Grave-stone, like the last mentioned, is this Inscription.

Hic jacent offa
Georgii Eystoni, Armigeri,
Viri multarum imaginum, sed plurium virtutum,
Deum ut patrem sincera pietate colait,
Ecclesiam matrem tenere dilexit,
Regem inconcussa side,
Patriam Justitia ac Liberalitate,
Bonos omnes morum candore & innocentia
sibi demernit.
Uxorem habuit Annam,
Ex nobili & antiqua Dormeriorum familia
Ex qua filios V. suscepit

Annos

Annos natus LV. placide obdormivit in Domino VIII. Kalendas Maii, Anno Salutis, MDCXCI. Hanc tibi, pie lector, rationem reliquit Villicationis sua

Optare interim tuum est, ut Requiescat in Pace.

Marmor ego quondam moles ignava Georgi, Eystoni nomen nobile fronte gero; Hendredæ cineres, animam cælo, & mihi nomen Sed tibi virtutes, quas imitere dedit.

East Hendred Register begins 8 080b. 30 Hen. VIII.

Patron the Bishop of Sarum, Incumbent the Reverend Mr..... Talbott, M. A. late Fellow of Oriel College in Oxford, Treasurer, and Prebendary of the Church of Salubury.

West HENDRED,

Is a Vicaridge in the Hundred of Wanting, Deanery of Abington, and Patronage of C. C. College in Oxford; Incumbent, the Reverend Matthew Curtifs, D. D.

On a White Square Marble Gravestone, near the Altar, is the following Inscription. H. S. E. Rob. Bolton, A. M. C. C. C. Oxon. Soc. Octob. Die 19. 1699.

On a flat Grave stone, under the Altar, is this Inscription.

John R. M. Arts, and Fellow of Corpus Christic Colledge in Oxford, who died Minister of this rish.

In this Parish is a Seat called Sparsholt Court.

THATCHAM,

Is a Vicaridge in the Hundred of Reading, and Deanery of Newbury; a Manor formerly in the Possession of the Winchcombes, and by an Inter-marriage, is in the Possession of the present Lord of the Manor, Henry St. John, late Viscount Bolingbroke, attainted 1715. as a Traytor to his King and Country: Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. John Cock.

On the North Side of the High Altar is this Inscription cut on a Marble Gravestone, under the Steps, on a Brass Plate.

Here lyeth the
Body of Roger Knight,
of Greeneham, Esquire, who
departed this Lyfe the
6th of December, Ano. Dni.
1653.
Ætatis suæ 69.

On the South Side of the High Altar is this Inscription on a Grave-stone.

Here lyeth the Body of JOHN
FACY, the Son of JOHN FACY,
and of * PHILIS, his Wife. He was
borne the 17th of June, 1657. and
was buried the 10th Day of March
1660.

On the South Side of the Chancel is this Epitaph on a Grave-stone.

Here lyeth the Body of Mrs.

JANE GARRARD, the truly vertuous Wife of RICHARD

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GARRARD, Gent. the eldest Daughter, and Coheire of HENRY FARLY, of Midgham, Gent. who departed this life in full assurance of a better, in the 23d Teare of her Age, Decem. the 26. An. Dni. 1654.

On a Brass Plate, fixed in a Grave-stone, in the middle of the Chancel, is the following Inscription, before the Altar under the Steps.

Pic jacet Thomas Loundres, Armisger, qui obitt 3° Die Menlis Augusti, An. Oni. 1433. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

Near the former, on another Brass Plate, are these Verses.

Muliquisades, bultumque vides, ita, perlege, ploza, Audicii memoz esto mei, tua nam venit hoza, Sum quod eris, fueramque quod es, tua posterioza Commemozans miseris, memorans, pzo me precoza (oza-

On a Grave-stone, lying at the entrance into the Chancel, is the following Inscription.

Here

Here lieth buried the Body of ELENOR, the Wife of WILLIAM SOTWELL, of Greeneham, Esq; who lived vertuously, and dyed in the Faith of our Lord Jhesus Christ, the 14th Day of July, 1607. being then of the Age of Thirty Four Teares and 4 Moneths, and left living by her said Husband one Son and 3 Daughters:

On another Grave-stone, adjoyning, are the following Arms impaled in one Escotcheon, viz. Sotwell, Standen, Fortesburie, Deane, Estcote, Seymour, Beauchamp, Belsield, Mallet, Esturmy, Hussey, Mack-Williams, Bray, Falconer, and this following Inscription.

Here lyeth buried the Body of WILLIAM SOTWELL, Equire, Councellor at Law, sometyme Justice of Peace of this County, and Heire, and eldest of the antient Familie of the Sotwells of Chute, in the County of Wilts, who departed this Lyfe at his House at Greeneham, within this Parish, where he had lived a most religious and verteous Life by the space of 35 Years, and dyed the 18th Day of June, 1639 in the 68th Tear of his Age, He left behind him

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one onely Child, named ELIZABETH, being his sole Heire; and the Widdow of FRANCIS TRENCHARD, Esquire.

Between the Chancel and the South Ile, in Lady Fuller's Ile, of the Church, is a Tomb raised with Stone Work, on the Top of which lyes a fair long Marble, with the Figure of a Judge in his Habit, and his Wife, and circumscribed thus.

Dere resteth the Body of William Danvers, late oon of the Kynges...es of the Comon Place, and the Body of Anne, the Wife of the said William....ter and Peire to the ryght Morshipfull Squyer JOHN PYRY, of Chamber-house, in the County of Aprill, in the Peare of our Lozd God, 1504. and the said Anne decellyd the Day of the moneth in the Pere of our Lozd God, Ap.

Under their Feet are the Figures of four Sons and four Daughters.

Towards the East End of the South Ile is erected a fair arched Monument in the South Wall, whereon are the Statues of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman kneeling at a Desk, and beneath them their two Sons and five Daughters kneeling before another Desk, under all, this Inscription in gold Capital Letters on a Black Marble.

Jacturam Pax, Lex, Pietas, Populus NICHOLAI
FULLERI masta morte tulere pii.
Hi lucrum, Sancti te, tu Fullere coronam,
Calum animum, corpus funera, Christus ovem.

Te decoravit amor, Jus, Fama, Scientia, Virtus, Spes, bonitas, pietas, Christus ad astra tulit.

Written, in the Arch over the Man's Head, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet sepultus NICHOLAUS FULLER,
Armiger, Legisperitus Hospitii
Graiensis, bis Lector publicus, qui
certa Spe in Christo resurgendi,
Obiit vicessimo tertio die Februarii, 1620. 76 atat.

Jua, filios reliquit duos, NICHOLAUM natu maximum
Militam 68 DANIET EM

Militem, & DANIELEM,
filias quinque, ELIZABETHAM, ANNAM,
MARIAM, SARAM, & ABIGALEM; qui Nicholaus
Miles, 30 Die Julii, proximo
post Patris obitum expirans vitam,
eodem quo pater tumulatur sepulchro.

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On a Brass Plate, fized in a Grave-stone lying in the Body of the Church, is the following Inscription.

Plate pro animabus Johannis Bye, & Margarete Aroris ejus, qui quis dem Johannes obiit 26 Die Benlis Martii, Ano. Domini, 1498.
Quorum animabus propicietur Peus. Amen.

Under the Inscription are the Figures of ten Sons and five Daughters.

On another Brass Plate, in a Grave-stone adjoyning, is this Inscription.

Pere lyeth John Godfadyr, On whose Souly God have Mercy. Amen.

On a Brass Plate, fixed in a Gravestone, in the South Ile, is this Inscription.

De your Charite pray for the Soule of Thomas Docwra, Son of Martyn Docwra, and Isabell, his Wife; whych Thomas dyed the 5 Day of July, An°. 1529.

On whose Soules Ihest have Mercy.

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On the South Side of the Chancel, on a plain Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
THOMAS NELSON, of Chadleworth,
Esq; aged Fifty Four Teares, who
departed this Life the 27 of May,
Anno Dom. 1692. and left
behind him, his Wife MARY, and two
Children, THOMAS and ELIZABETH.

On a plain Stone, removed from the Comitery into the Church, is this Infcription.

In Memory of
(my loving Sifter)
Mrs. Eliz. Bassett,
who departed this Life
June the 20. A. D. 1710.
Aged 59.

PREPARED BEE TO FOLLOW ME.

Several of the Monumental Inscriptions on Brass Plates, here mentioned by Mr. Ashmole, were stolen about two Years since, when this Church was broke open and robbed.

In the Church Wall, on the outside, on a Black Marble Monument, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet
Martha,
Uxor Charissima
JOHANNIS COCK,
Hujus Ecclesia Vicarii Dignissimi,
Qui hoc, amoris ergo,
posuit Monumentum.
Obiit quinto Die Julii,
Anno 1710.
N. B.
Non potest male mori qui
bene vixerit.

The Register of this Parish begins

In this Parish is an old Seat called Chamber-house, lately purchased by Mr. Lonsdale, of the Tower of London, from the Family of Fuller's. In it is a Chapel about four Yards and eight Inches broad, five Yards and eight Inches long.

BENHAM-VALENCE,

Which Addition was given by one of the Name of Valence, an Owner, is a Vicaridge in the Hundred of Reading, and Deanery of Newbury; Patron Mr. Blagrave; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Philip Goddard.

In 1283, according to Blount's Tenures, pag. 38. one William Lovel was possessed of some Part of this Manor, of which he fays thus, Willielmus Lovel, tenet duas carucatas Terra, de Domino Rege apud Benham, in Com. Berks, per Serjantiam Custodiendi unam meutam Deynectorum Canum ad custum Domini Regis. Et Willielmus de Valence, decem libratas terra de Domino Rege in eadem Villa, qua fuit escaeta Domino Regi per Hugonem Wake, per Serjantiam Custodiendi Hostium Camera Domini Regis. In 1343. I find Laurence Hastings, Earl of Pembroke, died seized of this Manor, which he left to his Son John, (by a Daughter of Roger Mortimer, Earl of March) who died in 1374. in his Journey between Paris and Calais. This, with feveral other Manors, was enjoyed in Joynture by his Wife, Anne, Daugh-

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ter and Heiress of Sir Walter Manney, Kt. who died on Palm Sunday, 1383. from whom it devolved to her Son John, a Youth of about eleven Years of Age, who was killed, without Issue, 1389. unhappily, at a Tournament held at Woodstoke, in Oxfordshire.

At the Entrance into the Church, on a Brass Plate, fixed in a Grave-stone, under the Figure of a Man in a Gown, is this Epitaph.

here under lyeth buried the Body of William Carter, Gent. decelly the 22th Day of Novemb. An Ont. 1586. and in the 39th Peare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Queene Elizabeth.

Near the former, on another Brass Plate, fixed in a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
Alice Carter, who decessed the
15th Day of July, 1609.

on the South Side of the Church-yard, near the Entrance into the Church, is a Brick Tomb, supporting a Free-stone Plank, with the following Inscription.

Here

Here lyeth buried the Body of RICHARD HILDESLEY, Gent. who dyed on Munday the 22th. of Nov. An. Dni. 1641.

PANGBORNE,

Is a Rectory in the Hundred of Reading, and Deanery of Newbury; Patron Mr. Breedon; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Breedon.

In the North Wall of the Chancel is a fair Stone Monument erected, whereon lye at full length, the Statues of Sir John Davis, in Armour, and his two Wives, in their usual Habit, both on his left Hand; above the Arch, wherein they lye, is this Inscription.

parte of this Monument lyeth
the Body of Sir JOHN DAVIS, Knight,
who received the Honour of Knighthood,
and Baneret, at the taking of
Cales in Spaine, in the Reigne of
Queene Elizabeth. He dyed May the
14. 1625. in the 63 Teare
of his Age.
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On a Black Marble Monument, erected in the South Wall of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Within a Vault under the Marble Stones hereunto adjoyning, resteth the Bodies of three Sisters, Martha, Anne, and Mary, the Daughters of the Right Honourable Sir John Suckling, of Whitton, in the County of Middle-sex, Knight, who died Controuler of the Houshold, and one of the most honourable Privy Councell unto King Charles the First.

Martha was married unto Sir George Southcott, of Shellingford, in the County of Devon, Knt. and dyed the Wife of William Clagett, of Istleworth, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire. She dyed at the Bath the 29th of

Tune 1661.

Anne was married unto Sir John Davis, Son of Sir John Davis, both Lords of this Mannor, and dyed the 24 of July, 1659.

Mary Suckling dyed a Virgin the 17th of October, 1658.

On a Marble Grave-stone, under this Monument, is this Inscription.

In pious Memory of Three most verteous Sisters, deceased, Martha, Anne, and Mary, these Marble Stones are devoted, by Sir John Davis, Knight, and William Clagett, Esquire.

On another Marble Grave-stone, laid between the former and the South Wall, is the following Inscription.

In Memoriam Conjugis suæ
dilectissima Maria, qua vitam
cum Morte commutavit pridie
Calendarum Öctobris Anno
1660. Hoc Philostorgia sua
Monumentum posuit
AMBROSIUS STAVELEY, Rector.
Vivit post funera Virtus.

On a fair Marble Tablet, erected about the middle of the South Wall, is this Inscription.

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JANÆ ROBINSONÆ,

Uxoris devotissime maritorum quotquot charissime

THOMÆ ROBINSONO, Armigero,

de Banco Societatis Int. Templi.

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Nec non curia Dom. Regis de communi Banco CAPITALI PROTHONOTARIO.

De sex sororibus senior evasit filia LUMLÆI DEAU

De Bishops Upton in agro Herefordiensi, Armigeri, Familia sanè perantiqua; dudumque storida. Septendecim Annos cum marito suavissime seriata est, Et ab ejus sinu demum malevole divulsa suit per MORBUM CANCRALEM:

Cujus infandos cruciatus postquam diu vietrix pertulisset, Et leve mamme detruncationem

Intrepida passa est; Veteri (post intervallum sex mensium) revertente morbo, Et ipsa vitalia validius invadente,

Fato concessit;
Fidemque Conjugalem marito, mundoque consecrandam,
Gemmeas animi, corporisque dotes unico silio
LUMLÆO (soli de catera prole superstiti) possidendas,
Orthographamque vita Christianissima compiam
Nobis, posterisque transcribendam
Reliquit, erogavit.

Obiit in adibus viri spectabilis Johannis Davies de Pangborne, in agro Berks, Equitis Aurati, Novemb. 22. Anno D. 1665. Æt. sua 49.

Cujus Memoriæ mæstissimus
ejus maritus hoc Monumentum
struxit, & in ipso se sepeliendum
designavit, quum (volente DEO)
vivis excesserit.

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In the middle of the Chancel, before this Monument, is the following Inscription, on a fair Marble Grave-stone.

Here rests the Body of Mrs. JANE ROBINSON, eldest Daughter of LUMLEY D'EAW, of the County of Hereford, Esq; and most beloved Wife of THOMAS ROBINSON, Efg; one of the Benchers of the Inner Temple, and chief Prothonotary of bis Majesties Court of Common Pleas. She was married to him Seaventeen Years, and of severall Children left only her deare Son, LUMLEY, living at her Death, which happened in the 49th Year of her Age, by a Cancer in her Brest, which she suffered with an invincible Patience to be cut off, and survived only fix Months after, dyed on the 22th of November, 1665, and was here interred December the 8th. to whose deare Memory her most indulgent Husband bath erected this adjoyning Monument.

In Sir John Davis's Chapel, at Bere-Court, in this Parish, is painted in the East Windows of his Chapel, the Figure of Hugh Faringdon, Abbot of Reading, habited in his Pontifical Robes, kneeling before fore a Desk, with a Book open on it, and out of his Mouth a Scrowl proceeding with these Words.

In te Domini speravi.

This Window is divided into Three Lights, in the middlemost of which is the Figure of our Saviour on the Cross, and in the other stands St. Mary and St. John; in the Compartiments of each Light are Four of the Apostles, each holding a Scrowl, with an Article of the Creed.

In the Parlour Windows of Bere-Court, are several Rundles of old painted Glass, wherein are these Emblematical Devises following represented.

I. a Woman sitting, and an Unicorn resting his Head in her Lap, and these Words upon the Unicorn's Body.

Unicornus. Christi Incarnacio.

Out of the Unicorn's Mouth proceeds a Scrowl bearing these Words.

Mirginis in gremio Unico? ferns ecce mitesco, Deus elt et homo, conceptus virginis alvo.

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H. A Pelican wounding her Breast, on whose Wing is the Word Palso, and in a Scrowl issuing out of her Mouth,

En mozioz bitam Peli vabo Ac redimitam, Confignans Christum mozfum qui fustulit istum.

III. Two Lions, and a little one, upon one of them LED, Christ; and out of his Mouth this Scrowl.

Sulcito proferatos catulos flatu nece natos Sie Pater insuperis Christum reparabit ob . . .

IV. An Eagle, upon whose Breast is written Aquila, and Wing, Ascensio, and from her Beak a Scrowl, wherein is written,

Tulmina mutando Celeftia culmina Kando Duo Christum pando mortem post alta volando.

V. A Tree, and therein a Nightingale, with an Owl by her, and near them written, Philomellus. Demozia Doztis, and out of the Nightingale's Beak this Scrowl.

Dum pungoz sente michi sunt necis aroua mente Pozs te purgat humo, ne moziaris homo.

VI. A Swan, with a Crown about her Neck, and a Chain.

Defectus mundane glozie . . . Cignus.

From a Scrowl in her Beak.

Carmina dulce cano cantus bocis et mihi fingo, Cur tibi gaudes homo, Mozs omnia cozripzit equo.

VII. A Phænix burning in her Neft.

Fenir Couliberatio fragilitatis humane.

The Scrowl.

Sum cinis en natus, tandem cinis igne pzobatus, Et homo mutatus, cinis in cineresque renatus.

VIII. An Eagle perched upon an Hawthorn, and on her Wing Thorne. This is on the Scrowl from her Beak.

Sepe creat pulcras afpera Spina Rolas.

In Sir John Davis's House is a Picture of Dr. Wright, Bishop of Litchfield and Coventry, under which is the following Inscription.

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R. M. X. P. ROB. WRIGHT, S. T. D. R. Eliz. et Jacob. Beatiss. Caroli Mati. 2 Sacris J. Trin. Oxon. Socius, Prafidens, dignus visus, et a Fundatrice designatus Wadhami Guard. primus, Vicarius de Sunning, Rector de Hayes, de Brixton Deverell, Prabendarius, de Henkestridge, Thesaurarius, Canonicus et Residentiarius Sancti Andrea Wellens, N.

Bristoll, Episcopus Reformator postea Coven. et Lich. Doctrina, Disciplina, verbo, exemplo, operibus antistes Theologorum Anglia senior 74 Annis Æternitati propinquior. Cum plurimis orat S. D. S. G. H. Ang. R. N. 1635.

This Seat was formerly a Place of Retirement for the Miter'd Abbot of Reading, and the second and the

TILEHURST.

Is a Vicaridge in the Hundred and Deanery of Reading, Patron Mr. Walker; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Walker. Alter

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In the South Ile of the Church stands a very fair and large Monument, erected against the South Wall thereof, having a fair Arch, wherein lyes the Statue of Sir Peter Van Lore, in Armour, with his Lady in the Habit of her Times wherein she lived, lying on his lest Side. Beneath these Figures are the Representations of nine Daughters, and one in Swadling Clothes; all of them, except one, holding Deaths Heads in their Hands. At the Lady's Feet is the Statue of her Son, in Armour, kneeling, with this Inscription under all.

Here lyes the Body of
PETER VAN LORE, Knight,
who dyed the 6th Day of September,
An. Dni. 1627.

When then hast read the Name, here lyes Van Lore, Then need st no Story to inform thee more.

Along, industrious, well spent Lyse hath shewne His Worth as far, as our Commerce is knowne; His Conversation London long approved, Three English Monarchs have employed and loved. His Industrie, his Providence, and his Care, Let his enriched Family declare.

The Powre his Bounty speakes, that he was not A Slave to all, to what his Wisdom got.

After full Fourscore Teares to him here lent, The greatest part in one chast Wedlock spent: His Soule to Heaven, his Earth to Earth is come, Utrecht his Cradle, Tylehurst loves his Tombe.

On a Brass Plate, fixed in a Gravestone, lying near the afore-mentioned Monument, under the Figure of a Man and Woman, is this Inscription.

Die jacet Georgius Young, Armsger, et Johanna Armeius, qui quidem Georgius obitt 30 Die Sept. An. Ont. 1485.

Duozum animabus propicietur Beus. Amen.

On another Brass Plate, on a Gravestone, underneath the Figures of a Man and Woman, in their usual Habits, is this Inscription.

Pic jacet Sandwinus More, Generolus, quondam silius Ricardi Moore, Armigeri, olim unus Marescallus Aule Oni Regis, et Isabella Uroz ejus, qui quidem Sandwinus obiit 28 Die Septembr. et dicta Isabella obiit 5 Die Nov. An.

Dust 1469. Duozum animabus propicietur Beus. Amen.

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This Town was called by the Saxons Readyng, from the British Word Redyng, which signifies Fern, said to grow plentifully hereabouts. There are no Relicts of Walls, or Fortifications, though, without question, this Town has a Glaim of great Antiquity, and celebrated it was, even before the Danish Irruptions. It has been frequently plundered, and yet before the Norman † Survey had sufficiently recovered its former Wounds.

In the Reign of Henry I. it grew famous by means of a magnificent Abbey by him here founded in the Year 1124. It stood between the Rivers Kennet and Thames for the Reception and Refreshment of Passengers. It was endowed with great Privileges, enjoying not only all the Churches and Chapels, but all Pleas and Suits of Courts, within and without the Borough of Reading, besides other most ample Immunities.

All these Grants and Immunities were confirmed to it by his Grandson Henry II.

^{\$} See Mr. Willis's Not. Parliam. pag. 39.

who demolished the antient Castle here, because it had been a Resuge for King Stephen's Party. So that now nothing remains of it but the Name, given to a Street, at the West End of which, in all

probability, it stood.

The Abbey was dedicated to the Honour of the Holy Trinity, the Bleffed Virgin, St. James, and St. John the Evangelist. For nobleness of Structure, and Riches, it was equal to most in England, and so it continued the chief Ornament of this Town till the Dissolution, when it was valued at 2116 l. 3 s. 9 d. Burton. 1938 l. 14 s. 3 d. ob. Monastic. Anglic.

King Henry I. Founder of this stately Abbey, together with his Queen, and, as some Authors say, his Daughter Maud,

the Empress, was here buried.

Alfrith. Wife to King Edgar, is said by Leland, in † more Places than one, to have built a Nunnery here, which is supposed to have stood where St. Mary's Church is now. But this was suppressed, and the Land given to the Abbey.

On the North Side of Castle-street, there had | been, he says, a fair House of Grey

Friars.

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Not far from St. Lawrence's Church, there was an Alms-house for poor Sisters, which in the Reign of Henry VII. was turned into a Free School, to which School one William Dene, a Servant of the Abbey, was a Benefactor.

In this Place are three Parish Churches; St. Mary's, where the Nunnery stood, St. Lawrence, beyond the River Kennet, and St. Giles's, at the farther End of the Town; of which, St. Mary's is the most antient.

Above the Town, about Bere, out of the principal Stream of Kennet, breaks a lesser, called below, in the Quarters of

the Town, the Hallowed Brook.

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Reading, on this Account, and by reafon of its Trade, notwithstanding the
downfal of the Abbey, and other religious
Foundations, still continues to be the largest and the most considerable Town in
this County. The chief Business of the
Place formerly was Cloathing; but the
Conveniency of the River giving great
Encouragement to the Malt Trade, that,
of late Years, has been very much followed. So, that though heretofore there
have been upwards of seven Score Clothiers in this Place, yet now of late
the Number is considerably diminished.

Out of an honest Family of Clothiers, in this Town, sprung the learned, and most pious Archbishop Land, from whose Birth the Place derives no small Reputation; as its Poor do Benefit, by his founding an Hospital here, and liberally endowing its lithas constantly sent two Members to

It has constantly sent two Members to Parliament, and sometimes, while the Abbey was standing, has had Parliaments kept in the Chamber of the Refectory, within the Abbey. Such was that in the 31st of Henry VI. where several Laws were enacted.

Of this once famous Abbey there remains but little at prefent, it having met with very ill Usage at its Dissolution, when it was converted into a Stable, and the Bones of its magnificent Founder thrown into the Air. This start of the failatick Pury of those reforming Days, made a modern Poet break out into the following Exclamation of the following Exclamation o

Heu diva piacula primus,

Noustrius Henricus situs bie, inglorias urna,

Nunc jacet ejettus tumulum hovus advena quera

Brustra, nam regi tenues invidit arenas ist

Auri sacra fames, regummethenda sepulchris.

aordinary to the States of Holland.

† Milles Catal. of the Nobility, pag. 78.

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This Church seems to have been built in the Form of a Cross, with a Tower in the middle, without Iles. The Gate-House, and some other Offices, remain, and are now the Seat of Owen Bucking-bam, Esq;

The Election of Members of Parliament from this Borough, is in the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and Commonalty; and the Number of Electors are upwards

of fix Hundred.

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The Manor of this Town was given by King James I. after the Death of his Queen, to his Son Prince Charles, in Augmentation of his Revenue; but 'tis now faid to be vested in the Corporation, the governing Part of which consists of a Mayor, twelve Aldermen, and as many Burgesses, with other Officers.

Sir Jacob Afiley, a famous Soldier in the Reign of King Charles I. was in the Year 1648. raifed by that Prince to the Dignity of a Peer, by the Title of Baron Afiley of Reading; which Honour continued in the Family till March 1688. when Jacob Lord Afiley, Grandson to the Lord Afiley aforefaid, died without Issue, and in 1716. it was erected into a Barony, by a Patent granted to William Lord Cadogan, Ambassador Extraordinary to the States of Holland.

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I shall only add here, that Sir William Webbe, of the Salters Company, Son of John Webbe, of this Place, was Lord Mayor of London in the Year 1591.

St. M A R Y's Church,

Is a Vicaridge; Patron the Lord Chancellor, Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. William Reeve, M. A.

Against the North Wall, in the Chancel, is erected a Tomb, whereon are the Statues of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman in her usual Habit, both kneeling at a Desk, under whom, on Black Marble, is engraved the following Inscription.

GULIELMUS KENDRICKE,

Ex hins resurget ad novissima Tuba sonitum Vir falix genere.

Civitatis ejus dem nominis Regibus Saxonicis oriundus.
Falix Consanguineis,

Fratse presertim Johanne Mercatore Londinensis, Cujus in hoc oppidum merita, et in pauperes munificentiam nec presens atas imitata est, nec facile credet futura.

Felix Maritus,

Matronam post se relinquens castissimam, pientissimam. Falix Pater,

Natam fortitus cœlis paratissimam, ad quos pramisit; qui et in silio unigenito, nepotibus pluribus se suneri sensit superstitem, et ad sacula transmissum nascitura.

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Palix Magistratu,
Quem (sibi agre quidem ferenti demandatum) summa cum
(prudentia,

cura, authoritate, decoro, administravit.

Undequa que demum sælix,

Nist quod veste dolores acutissimi Autumnum vita fecerant Valetudinarium, et prorsus afflictissimum: Sed et hinc Cessit in exemplum mira tolerantia.

Natura concessit, Martii 16. Anno Salut. 1635. Ætat. 56. immensum sui apud bonos, inopesque relinquens desiderium.

Johannes, Christmass, fratres fecerunt.

On a Marble Grave-stone, placed on the South Side of the Church, is this Inscription.

Here under lyeth
the Body of WILLIAM
KENDRICK, of Reading, who
was buried March 24.
1634.

On a Brass Plate, fixed in a Gravestone, laid in the middle of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of RICHARD WATLINGTON, looking for the Day of his full Redemption. He was four Times Maior of the Towne of Reading. He was a true Professor, and a good Magistrate. He slept in the Lord the 16 of August 1601. Eliz. 43.

On another Brass Plate, set in a Gravestone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Bodies of John and Francis Bunbury, the Sons of Thomas Bunbury, the Rector of this Church; the which John, of the Age of five Yeares, departed this Lyfe, Sept. 15. 1634. the said Francis, of the Age of seaven Daies, dyed June 19. 1633. both wanting the Accomplishment of their Glory.

Under this Stone two Brothers have, As Wombs before, so now one Grave, Twere Sin to doubt these Childrens Bliss, Christ sayes of such, Heavens Kingdom is. Matth. 19. 14.

Towards the West End of the Chancel lyes a Grave-stone, with a Brass Plate on it, on which is the Figure of a Man in a Gown, and his Wise in the usual Dress of her Times, at whose Feet are these Verses following engraved.

Four score I lived, four Stemms I leave behinde, Four Times of Reading Maioralty Sustained; My Soule into Christ's Hand I have resigned, And here my Corpes interred doe remaine;

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The Grave her Due, her Tribute Death requires, Happy is he whose Soule to Heaven aspires.

Here lyeth the Body of RICHARD TURNER, who departed this Lyfe the 7th Day of March, Ano, Dni. 1615.

On a Plate of Brass, fixed in a Matble, placed in the middle Ile of the Church, near the Chancel, is this Inscription.

John Boome of Reading, and also Alice his wife, Continewed in Marriage thirty Pears fir and one, In his third Maioralty vid end their honest Lyse, And lye here engraved under the Matble Stone. One Son they had, and also Daughters five, Of all whose Bodies fayre Mue they did see: In seaven Weeks space did their Lives deprive, Their honest Fame here liveth, their Soules with Christ be.

On another Plate, over their Heads, is this Inscription.

of Decemb. An°. 1559. Alice, his wife, deceased the 29th Day of October, An. 1558.

On another Plate, fixed in a Graveftone, is the following Inscription. Dic jacet Willielmus Baron, qui obiit quinto Die Menlis Marcii, An°. Oni. 1416. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

St. LAWRENCE's Church,

Is a Vicaridge worth about 80 Pounds # Annum; Patrons St. John's College in Oxford; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Phanuel Bacon, M. A.

In the South Wall of the Chancel is a Monument erected, whereon are the Statues of a Man and Woman kneeling at a Desk; behind the Man are three Sons, and behind the Woman fix Daughters, and under them these Verses.

Quam fuerit vita charus, quam morte LYDALLUS,
Narret Pastor, plebs, pauper, et ista Domus.
Ista Domus testis pietatis, pauper amoris,
Plebs operum, sidei Pastor, in hisque Deus.
Hanc lector bene qui novit, sobolemque virumque,
Sape hos, aut similes, edidit ore sonos.
O ter falicem matremque patremque propago,
Cui tali ex tali conjuge talis erat,

At the Foot of the foregoing Monument is this Epitaph.

Est hoc candide inspector, Thome Lydall Generos, Majoratum apud Redingenses ter perfuncti, (qui Domus hujus Sacra Concionatoris, pauperumque auxit reditus) et Margerie Uxoris & Liberorum pia consecratum memoria monumentum.

In the same South Wall is another Monument fixed, where there is a Woman kneeling at a Desk; at the top is a Hand holding a Laurel, and under the Figure is this Inscription following.

MARTHA Uxor CAROLI HAMLEY, Cornub. hic jacet sepulta, filia erat Thome Seakes, de Henly, super Thames, in Comit. Oxoniæ, qui obiit decimo sexto Die Mensis Januarii, An. Dni. 1636. Hoc Monumentum struxit ejus maritus Carolus, ad conservandum ejus memoriam qua Liberos nullos post se reliquit, prasertim vero in testimonium summa sua dilectionis.

On a fair Grey Marble Tomb, raised in the middle of the Chancel, whereon, on Brass Brass Plates, are the Figures of a Man in a Gown, and his Wife in her usual Habit, and underneath them is the following Inscription.

Dere lyeth the Bodyes of Edward Burler, late of Reading, Gent. and of Alice his Wife; which Edward was five Tymes Major of this Towne, and dyed the 7 Day of July, 1584. And the laid Alyce dyed the 18th of July, 1583, being either of them at their laid Deaths Threescope and twelve Peares a peece, and having lived 42 Peeres married together, and leaving behinde them three onely Daughters and Deires, viz. Alice, Mary, and Elizabeth, married, and having Pitte as followeth.

Alice married to Will. Buttell, Efgi

Under this Name is the Figure of a Woman standing, holding up her Hands in a praying Posture; under her are 3 Sons and 4 Daughters in the like Postures.

Mary Butler married to Will. Powell,

A Woman in the like Posture, with two Sons and one Daughter.

Elizabeth Butler married to Richard

Underneath, the Figure of a Woman, having the Figures of two Daughters in Postures of Devotion.

On a Brass, fixed about the Ledge of the said Stone, are these Verses.

Christ to me as Lyfe on Earth, — and Death to me is gaine, Because I trust through him alone—Salvation to obtaine. So britle is the State of Man, — so soone it doth decay, So all the Glory of the World — must pass and fade away.

On a Brass Plate, in a Grave-stone, under the Figure of a Man in a Gown, is this Inscription.

Pere under this Marble Stone lyeth Walter Barton, Ben. which deceased the 25 Day of Aprill, in the Peare of our Lord God, 1538. On whose Soule, and all Christen Soules, Inclu have Mercy. Amen.

Telestem quondam vitam qui durerat, iste Mermibus ecce stans, jam requiescit humo.

On a Plate of Brass, fixed in another Grave-stone, is the Figure of a Man in a Gown, placed between his two Wives, and this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of John Johnson, late of Reading, Mercer, who having lived 50 Yeares, left this earthly Tabernacle. He was a lover of the Gospell, and a good Benefactour to the Church and Poore of this Parish. Obit 24 Martii, Ano. Dom. 1614. And of John his Son, who living five Yeares; deceased the 2d Day of June, A. D. 1614.

Thus Blossoms young, by Death's means, untimely fall from Tree; Thus God each Man's Natures Course doth evermore decree.

On another Marble Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Diate proanimabus Johannis * Reci toris de Erle, et Johannis Seme, with carit Sancti Laurentii de Radingie, et omnium üdelium defunctorum.

On the North Side, near the East End of the Chancel, is a Monument bearing the following Inscription.

Under thy Feete, Reader, sleepes the Remaines of RICHARD FYNMORE, his Father's Benjamin, and his Brother's Joseph; who, coming from Oxford, to the Burial of a Friend, found his owne Grave, and so mingled Dust with his Auncestors, Feb. 6. in the Yeare of Christ 1664. of his Age 40. one Son he left, and J. F. a mournefull Widdow, who placed this to his Memory.

On another Marble Grave-stone, in the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Pic jacet Johannes Kent, quotidam Burgensis de Reding, et Johanna Uroz ejus. Duozum animabus propicietur Deus. Amen.

On another Marble Grave-stone is this Inscription.

ANTONIUS MASONUS, DE MARGARETA,
Conjuge Jua charissima,
qua obiit Martii 6°.
1620.

Here, and in Heaven, rest my blessed Wife, Who was the Crowne and Comfort of my Lyse, In Grace by Grace, to Glory let me follow, My Spouse, thy Saint, O thou! whose Name I hollow. On On a Brass Plate, fixed in a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Pere lyeth buried the Body of Richard Cooke, Burgeis of Reading, and Bodies of Julian his Wife, and Edward his Son; the fato Richard being buried January 28: 1587.

Upon a Brass Plate, on a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Pere lyeth Matter Nicholas More, sometyme Matter of Arts, and late Aicar of the Parish Church of St. Laurence; the which deceated the last Day of January, in the Peare of our Lord God, 1447.

On another Brass Plate, fixed in a Gravestone, under the Figure of an Ecclesiastick in his Habit, is this Inscription.

Pray for the Soule of Adr Richard Wylcokk, Matter in Arts, late fellow of New Colledge in Oxford, who deceated the 4 Day of Aprill, the Pere of our Lord, 1504.

On another Grave-stone, near adjoyning, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth buried Mrs.
ELIZABETH DUDLEY, the Daughter
of WILLIAM DUDLEY, of
Aldersgate-streete, London.
She died September the
27. Ano. Dni. 1652.

At the Foot of the faid Stone thus,

It is desired that this Grave may be reserved For some of her Friends of her Name.

Upon another Grave-stone, in the middle of the Chancel, near the North Door, is the Figure of a Priest in his Vestments, graved on a Brass Plate, and at his Feet these Yerses.

Mermibus his donoz, et sic ostendere conoz, Mt sicut ponoz, ponitur amnis honoz, Duisquis eris qui transferis, sta, perlege, ploza, Sum quod eris, sueramque quod es, pro me precoz

Dic jacet Dominus Johannes Andreu, qui obiit tertio Die Martii, Ans. Dni. Millo. CCCXXVIII.

On another Plate, under the Figure of an Ecclesiastick, is this Inscription.

Die jacet Pominus Willielmus Goldore, quondam Aicarius Sancti Lawrencii de Redyng, et Pominus Johannes Sampforde; quondam Aiscarius Sancti Egidii; qui quidem Ponus Willielmus obiit penultimo Die Menüs Maii, An°. Poni. 1478. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Plate, fixed in a Grave-stone lying near the South Entrance into the Chancel, is this Inscription.

En Thomas Justice, quondam qui rexerat istud, Templum: Sub gelido conditur hoc tumulo Dum vixit, Christi cultor suit optimus ille Sacri mysterii veruis amator erat. Cujus nunc anime concedas Christe redemptor, Mociter in gremio posse latere tuo.

> Hic Die Januarii 12 A°. 1535. Diem clausit extremum.

In the upper End of the Body of the Church, near the Entrance into the North Side of the Chancel, on a Brass Plate, fixed

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ed to a Grave-stone, is the following Inscription.

Dic jacent Willielmus Hunt, quondam Maior Mille de Redyng, et Alicia, et Isabella Urores eius Onf quidem Willielmus, obiit 6° Die Menüs Octobris, Anno Domini.

Duozum animabus propicietur Deus. Amen.

Over the Inscription is the Pourtraiture of a Man between two Women.

On the South Side of Edward Buttler's Monument, before described, upon another Plate, fixed in a Marble Grave stone, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth Sybbell Staverton, Myfe of Thomas Staverton, Gent. who lived here on Earth in honest Lyfe, and in good fame, and made a most goodly and faithfull End, who departed this Lyfe the 14th of December, An°. 1583.

On a Plate, in a Grave-stone laid in the Body of the Church, is the following Infcription.

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Die Menlis Januarii, An°. Dut.

On the North Side, against the Wall, is a noble Monument, representing a Man under an Arch, to the middle, holding one Hand on a Globe, the other on a Quadrant; he is habited in a short Cloke, a Cassock and a Ruff, surrounded with Books on each fide of him. On one fide of him is the Figure of a Woman, to the Breasts naked, holding an Instrument in her Hand, as offering it to him, and under her Feet the Word CU-BUS. On the other fide is another Woman, fomewhat naked, though with a Scarf thrown loofely round her, and offering in like manner; under her Feet THTPAEΔRON. On the top are two Women leaning on their Arms, inscribed OCTAHDPON —— DODICADPON. In the middle of them a Person armed Cap-a-pee, intit. ICOTHDPON. And under the first Figure mentioned, this Infcription following in an Oval.

> Johannes Blagrave, totus Mathematicus, cum matre sepultus.

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Here lyes his Corpes, which living had a Spirit; Wherein much worthy Knowledge did inherit. By which, with Zeale, our God he did adore, Left for Maids Servants, and to feed the Pore. His verteous Mother came of worthy Race, A Hungerford, and buried near this Place. When God Sent Death, their Lives away to call; They lived beloved, and dyed bewailed of all.

Deceased the 9th of August,
Anno Dni. 1611.

St. GILES's Church,

Is a Rectory, in the Gift of the Lord Chancellor; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Sam. Torrent, M. A.

On the North Wall is a Monument with this Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Body of Dorrothy, eldest Daughter of Edward Daniel, of Basingstoke, borne the 28th of Nov. 1612. and was married to Samuell Jemmat, of Reding, the 14 of July, 1631. and deceased the 7th of May, 1659. whose Soule now restend in God, expecting the Resurrestion of the Body.

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Gods Guift, Gods Fudgment, soundeth forth ber Name, A femm to Jemmat (heard of God) her Fame.

Upon a Grave-stone, in the middle of the Chancel, is this Epiraph.

Here lyeth buried
MARGRET MALTHUS, the Wife
of WILLIAM MALTHUS, who
was buried the first of
November, 1613.

On a Grave-stone, in the middle Ile of the Church, is this Inscription.

Of pour Charite pray for the Somles of John Bowyer, of Reading, Canner, and Jane his Wife; which John deceased the 21 Day of Aprill, the Per of our Lord,

On whose Soules Thetu have Mercy. Amen.

Oh a Brass Plate, fixed to a Gravestone; in the North Ile, under the Figures of a Man and a Woman in Winding Sheets, is this Inscription.

Pray for the Soutes of Nicholas Nicholas, and Johan his wife; the A a a whyche whyche Nicholas deceased the 4th Day of October, the Pere of our Lozd, 1514. and Johan deceased the Per of our Lozd in the Per of our Lozd In whose Houses Ihesu have Mercy.

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On a Scrowl proceeding from the Man's Mouth, this,

Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus, miserere nobis, Czedo videre vona Domini.

Out of the Woman's Mouth this Scrowl.

Sancta Maria, oza pzo nobis, Omnes Sancti, ozate pzo nobis.

Upon another Grave-stone, in the said Ile, under the Figure of a Man, on a Brass Plate resembling a Cross, is this Inscription.

Dere lyeth Richard Stuttesbury, On his Soule God have Mercy.

On a raised Tomb-stone, in the adjoyning Comitery, is the following Inscription, engraven for Mr. Richards, Fellow of All Soul's College in Oxford, late Vicar of this (363)

this Church, and Fellow of Eton College in Buckinghamshire.

Here lyeth the Body of WILLIAM RICHARDS, who was Vicar of this Church 35 Years, and departed this Life in the 69th Year of his Age, on the 4th Day of October, in the Year of our Lord God 1712.

In the Council Chamber of the Corporation of READING, are the following Inscriptions under Coats of Arms, and Pictures.

Under a little Tablet bearing the Arms of the Corporation.

These are the auntient Armes, and Seale, apperteyning, and belonging to the Maior and Burgesses of the Towne and Borough of Reading, in the County of Berks, and at this my present Visitacion was Edward Butler Mayor; the right Honourable Robert Earl of Leicester, Knight of the most noble Order of the Garter, Master of the Horse to the Queens Majesty, and one of her Highness Privy Councell, High Steward of the Towne and Borrough, Robert Bowyer, Thomas Aldworth, Thomas Turnor, John Ockham, Roha a a 2

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bert Fylhie, and Richard Watlingston, Head Burgesses, and late Mayors of the said Towne and Burrough; John Ockham, aforesaid, Steward of the Courts of the said Burrough; which Armes, I Clarenceux King of Armes have ratified and continued unto the said Mayor and Burgesses of the Towne and Burrough of Reading, in the County of Berks. In Witness whereof I have hereunto subscrybed my Name, the sixt of October, 1566.

Will, Henry, alias Clarencieux King of Armes.

On another like Tablet is the same Arms depicted, and under it this Inscription.

Insignia Natalitia Villa et Corporationis de Radinge, in Monumentis Collegii Regii Heraldorum tempore visitationis ejusdem Comitatus, Anno Salutis a Christo 1623 relata, secundum sidem eorum Antiquitatis, Testamur hoc Hen. Chittinge, Chester. Joh. Philpott, de Rubeo Draçone Marescalli ac Deputati Willielmi Cambdeni, Clarenceux Regis armorum in partibus australibus citra ripam sluvii de Trent.

" Under the Picture of Sir Thomas Whyte, in his Alderman's Gown, and Gold Chain, is this Inscription on the Frame.

Thomas Whyte, Miles, Aldermannus Civitatis London. natus apud Reading, in Comitatu Berks, Fundator Collegii Sancti Johannis Baptiste, et Aule Gloucest. Oxon. cum 24 Civitates et villas hujus Regni Anglie ditasset operibus. Obiit An. Dni. 1566. Ætatis sua, 72.

Auxilium meum à Domino.

On the Frame of Mr. Kendrickls Picture are the following Verses.

At the Head.

Congeries amplum complebat copia cornu At cum quinque suos decies numeraverat annos, Et sine conjugio calebs sine prole deinque Munificum reputans, studii moribundus adhasit.

On the right Side.

Languida nativa reparare repagula villa Sic meditans, dedit huic nummorum millia septem, Et plus eo ut soles operantes pascat egenos: Structuras fieri varias mandabat ad artes.

On the left Side.

Natus in hac villa fuit, hunc posuere parentes Musais deditum, post hac intentus ad urbem. Londini sortem res mercatoria fixit Magna erat in quastu longo canamine rerum.

At the Foot.

Atque hac Majori et Burgensibus omnia recte. Constituenda dedit nullumque abolenda per avum.

On the right Hand in the Picture.

Johannes Kendrick, Civis, et Draper de London. Anno Ætatis sua 50. obiit 30 Die Decembris, Anno Dni. 1624.

On the left Hand of the Picture is this Inscription.

Pauperibus in vita munificus, In morte munificentissimus.

The greatest Curiosity in these Parts, I find mentioned by Mr. John Lowthorp, M. A. in his second Volume of the Abridgment of the Philosophical Transacti-

ons, pag. 427, 428. communicated to the Royal Society by Dr. James Brewer, and abridged in the following Words. "Near " Reading, in Berkshire, for many suc-" ceeding Generations, a continued Bo-" dy of Oyster Shells has been found " through the whole Circumference of " 5 or 6 Acres of Ground. The Foun-" dation of these Shells is a hard rocky " Chalk, and above this Chalk the Oyster " Shells lye in Beds of green Sand, upon a " level, as nigh as can possibly be jud-" ged; this Stratum of green Sand Oyster " Shells, is (as I measured) nigh two " Foot deep. Now, immediately above " this Layer, or Stratum of green Sand " and Shells, is a Bed of a bluish Sort of " Clay, very hard, brittle, and rugged; " they call it a pinny Clay, and is of no " Use. This Bed, or Layer of Clay, I " found to be nigh a Yard deep; and " immediately above it is a Stratum of " Fullers Earth, which is night wo Foot " and a half deep; this Earth is often " made use of by our Clothiers: And a-" bove this Earth is a Bed, or Layer, of " a clear, fine, white Sand, without the " least mixture of any Earth, Clay, &c. " which is nigh seven Foot deep: Then "immediately above this is a stiff red " Clay, (which is the uppermost Stra-

" tum) of which we make our Tiles. " The depth of this cannot be convenient-

" ly taken, it being so high a Hill, on the " top of which hath been, and is dug up,

" a little common Earth, about two Foot

deep. "I have with a Mattock, dug out fe-" veral whole Oysters, with both their Valves, or Shells lying together, as Oysters, before opened: In their Cavity there is got in fome of the foremention-" ed Sand. These Shells are so very brit-"tle, that in digging for them, one of the Walves will frequently drop from its "Fellow; but tis plainly to be feen that they were united together, by placing " the Shell that drops off to its fellow

" Valve, which exactly corresponds: But "I dug out several that were entire; nay,

" some double Oysters with all their Valves

" united.

BARKHAM,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Reading; and has in its Church neither Monuments nor Coats of Arms. The prefent Lord of the Manor, and Patron, is Mr. Waterman, of London, who purchased it from the Family of Standen of Arberfield, Rector, the (369)

the Reverend Mr. John Sale, who is beneficed in Arberfield:

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SHINFEILD,

Formerly called Shiningfeild, is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Reading; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. John Okes. This Manor was in the Possession of Sir Edward Norris, Kt. who dying 1602. left it to his Nephew, Francis Lord Norris, summoned to Parliament by Queen Elizabeth, 1600. in whose Possession it reremained for many Years.

In the middle of the Chancel, on a Brass Plate fixed to a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Diate pro anima Richardi Lybbe, de Tavestoke, in Com. Devon. Gen. qui obtit 7° Die Octobr. A°. Dni. XVeXXVII°.

Cujus anime propicietur Deus.

On another Plate, on a Grave-stone near the Entrance into the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Pic jacet Johannes Nelowe, quondam honoxis de Wallingford. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Brass Plate, on a Grave-stone near the High Altar, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Anne Ellys, the Wife of John Ellys, of Sheyne-fyeld, in the County of Berks, Gent. Daughter of John Gunter, of Barton, in the said County of Berks, Esq; departed this Lyfe the 17th Day of September, Anno Dni. 1617.

Vivit post funera Virtus.

On another Plate, on a Grave-stone, in the South Side of the Chancel, is the following Inscription.

Here under this Stone, lyeth
the Body of THOMAS HIDE, Esq;
expecting the coming of his
Saviour, he departed this Lyfe, the 27th of
January, 1634. Ætatis suæ 82.
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In the North Wall of the Chancel, near the East End, is erected a little Stone Monument, with this Epitaph on it.

Pere lyeth bereed the Body of Matter HENRY BEKE, Esquier, whoe deserted the 23 May, 1580.

Against the middle of the said Wall is another Monument erected, wherein, under the Canopy (the Curtains whereof are held up by two Angels) are placed the Statues of a Man in Armour, and a Woman veiled, both kneeling at a Desk: Behind the Woman is the Figure of her Daughter also kneeling; below, on a Marble, are these Verses following inscribed.

Hic pater HENRICUS, mater JANA, et filia ELIZA Effinguntur, adest Urnula sola patris.

BEAKE nomen patrum, domus Hartley-curia, mater ROGERO LEWKENOR milite nata suit.

GEORGIUS extruxit Monumenta (enatus ELIZA: Filius HUGONII SPEKE) pia jussa matris.

On the South Wall of a Chapel, at the East End of the South Ile, is a little Stone Monument erected, all the Figures are broken away, except those of two Daughters. Towards the Foot of the Monument, is this Inscription.

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Hic sepulta jacent corpora EDVAR-DI MARTINI, Armigeri, Comitatus Berks, quondam supervisoris Regii, MARIÆq; Uxoris ejus, qui postquam unicam gnatam et havedem nomine ANNAM, GULIELMO WOLLO-SCOTO, nuptam dederant, hocque struxerant sacellum, animas exhalarunt, ille 5° Die Junii, An. Dni. 1604. Ætatis autem sua 79. illa vero 10° Die Octob. An. Dni. 1607. Ætatis vero sua 71.

At the upper End of the North Wall, near the Chancel, is a Grey Marble, with this Inscription on it.

Huic O: Filio suo hic humato MARCUS filius SIMONIS STEWARD, Armigeri de Lakingheth, in Com. Suff. posuit.

In the Body of the Church, on a Brass Plate, on a Grave-stone, is this Epitaph.

Mic sub lapide jacent corpora Willielmi Wodcock, Generost, Katarine, et Isabelle Aromum eius. Duorum animabus propicietur Deus. Amen.

At the West End of the Church-yard is a raised Brick Tomb, on whose Top is a Marble Stone bearing this Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Body of THO-MAS FLASKETT, Batchelor in Divinity, who departed this Lyfe the 25 of June, An. Dni. 1633.

SWALLOWFIELD,

Is a Rectory in the Hundred of Charle ton, and Deanery of Reading. Patrons the Dean and Chapter of the Church of Hereford; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Oakes. It was formerly called SWAL-RIELD, and was in the Possession of the ever famous John Duke of Bedford, Regent of France, and Protector to the pious King Henry VI. to whom, at his Death, on 14 September; 1435. he left this, with many other Manors and Estates in several Parts of this Kingdom.

At the North East End of the Chancel lyes a Grave-stone, bearing some Brass Plates, whereon, under the Feet of a Man in Armour, and a Woman in her usual Habit, is this following inscribed.

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what I am thou feift, what I have been thou knowest; As I am thou thalt be. what thou art remember this.

Christopher Lytcott, Esquire, descellyd the 6 Day of Dec. An Oni.

On whose Soule Thesu have Wercy.

Moho married Katherine, the Daughter of Robert Chene, of Chesham Boyes, in the County of Bucks, Esq; and had by her 3 Sons and one Daughter, John, Leonard, Christopher, and Dorothy.

Under this Inscription are the Figures of the three Sons and Daughter, standing with their Hands erect, and joyned, in the Posture of praying.

At the Head of the last mentioned Grave-stone, lyes a Marble Stone, close under the North Wall, with this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of SAMUEL BACKHOUSE, of Swallowfeild, Esq; Son and Heire of NICHOLAS BACKHOUSE, of

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of the City of London,
Alderman, who departed this Lyfe
on the 24th of June, An. Dni. 1626.
Here lyeth also the Body of
ELIZABETH, Wife of the said Samuel
Backhouse, second Daughter of
Sir JOHN BORLACE, of Little Marlow,
in the County of Bucks, Knight,
who departed this Lyfe the
first Day of February,
1630.

Over this Grave hangs a Penon of Backhouse's Arms, quartering Salthelds, and another of Backhouse impaling Borlace.

On the same North Wall of the Chancel is a Monument with this Inscription.

MEMORIÆ SACRUM

JOHANNIS BACKHOUSE de Swallowfield,

prænobilis ordinis (qui dicitur Balnei)

dignissimus Eques.

Ex antiqua in agro Lancastrensi prosapia oriundus.
Gloriosum Domini sui adventum in hoc cinere prastolatur,
Renascentis olim carnis suscitabulo,

Vir omnigena eruditionis non levi tinctura imbutus Linguarum callentissimus, pracipue Germanica,

Quam mira sagacitate, et indole
Pralegente nomine, jam vir arripuerat, hauserut,
Quo Christianæreligionis oraculis medullitus sub auscultaret,
Suspecta rivulorum side,

Fontium

Fontium adivit limpidas scaturigines, Litteratorum prasidium optimum; et decus, Morum suavitate favili, animi candore conspicuo Demeruit omnes, quotquot appellavit suos.

Et quod admiteris viator,

In ista sorte Reipublica, temporibusque difficillimis Non illum damna, cancer, blanditia, mina. Transversum egere, semper ad clavum constantia: Fidei

Conscientie invictus hasit.

Rebus haud impar publicis, quas consultissime gessit,

Adeo dilexit pauperes, indulsit famulis, ita sante coluit Jus maritale, pudicamque conjugem:

Ut fuerit quantumvis orbus, vere paterfamilias, Munditie, dapibus, et hospitali tessera Largiter excipere amicos, et sobrie solitus, Numinis tam servens cultor;

Ut frigenti huic saculo, grande exemplum praluxerit, Facessat omnis liver, et invidia impotens,

Sic columen patria mortuus, nam sic vivus audiit.
Hoc Monumentum optimo Marito, et perpetuum desiderando
Posuit mastissima conjux, cui post sata latus claudere
Avet, gestit, destinat.

Obiit ix Die Octob. Anno Verbi Incarnati MDCXLIX°.

Ætatis vero fue LXV.

The Marble Grave-stone lying over the Body of Sir John Backhouse, adjoyns to the South Side of that laid for Samuel Backhouse, his Father, whereon are several Trophies, and this Inscription following. Here lyeth the Body of Sir JOHN
BACKHOUSE, of Swallowfeild, in
the County of Berks, Knight of the
Honourable Order of the Bath, Son
and Heire of SAMUEL BACKHOUSE, Efg., and of ELIZABETH
his Wife. He was borne the 29th
Day of June, An. Dni. 1584. and
departed this Lyfe on the 9th of October, 1649.

On the South Wall of the Chancel hang the Atchievements carried at Sir John Backhouse's Funeral, as follow.

1. A Standard of England with his Crest and Motto.

2. A Penon of his own Coat.

3. Another of Backhouse impaling Hen.

4. A Third, Backhouse quartering Saltheld, and impaling Henshaw.

On the East Wall hangs his Target, Coat of Arms and Crest, and near unto them a Guidon of the Order of the Bath.

On another Brass Plate, on a Gravestone in the Chancel, under the Wo-Ccc man (378)

man in her ordinary Habit, with this Scrowl out of her Mouth, and underneath the following Inscription.

Thefu Mercy, Lady help.

Dic jacet Margeria, quondam uscor Thome Litterford, Arm. que obiti Die An Dni. MCCCC.

Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Marble, lying at the Foot of the Grave-stone belonging to Sir John Back-house, is this Inscription.

DEPOSITUM MARTHÆ LLOYD, GULIELMI LLOYD,

Fidelis et charissima conjugis, Qua vixit, In corruptissimis temporibus; Insigne pietatis exemplum,

e pietatis exemplum, Et in eadem

Constanter ad finem usque perseverans,
In gravi pariter, et longa ægritudine
Per anni fere spatium quotidie moribunda,
Ut summum patientiæ quoque miraculum
suaviter obdormivit.

4° Non. Octobris, Ano. Dni. 1654. Felicissimam in Christo Resurrectionem Expectans.

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On a Grave-stone, laid under the East Window of the Chancel, is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
Mr. SAMUEL WEST, of LincolnesInn, Gent. Son
to Mr. FRANCIS WEST, Citizen
of London. He departed this Lyfe much
deplored of all that knew him,
in the 30th Yeare of
his Age, the 4th of July,
Ano. Dni. 1649.

FINCHAMSTED,

Is a Rectory in the Hundred of Charleton, and Deanery of Reading; Patron, Goodyer, Esq; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Richard Rogers. We are told by the Continuator of the Saxon Chronicle, That a Well here continued boiling with Streams of Blood for several Days together. Childrey, in his Britannia Baconica, says, That though this is strange, yet is it no way incredible, as we have received unquestionable Accounts of such Fountains in other Parts of the World.

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In this Church are the following Monuments.

On a Brass Plate, fixed to a Marble laid at the Entrance into the Chastel, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of RICHARD MARSHE, Citizen and Grocer of London, who departed this Lyfe the 24th of July, 1613. being of the Age of 40 Yeares, whose Soule resteth with God.

On another Plate, lower in the same Marble, are these Verses.

In obitum Ricardi Marsh, Civis Londinensis.

Exemplum vita sancta, et pietatis imago
Vera, sub hoc saxo morte perempta jacet.

Cujus laus summa est, mundi post terga dedisse
Impuras sordes, atque vacasse sibi
Hic vixit cali sitiens, habet incola cali
Gaudia, defunctis pramia, qua esse solent.

On another Plate, fixed near the Head of a Grave-stone, lying in the Body of the Church, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of ELIZABETH BLIGHE, the Wife of John Blighe, Gent. the Daughter and Heire of John (381)

JOHN TAYLOR, of Finchamsted, Gent. deceased, who had JANE her only Daughter and Heire, now of the Age of five Yeares; which Blizabeth, the 14th Day of July, An°. Dni. 1635. patiently, and in the fear of God, departed this fraile and troublesome Lyfe, Etatis sua 30.

Lower in the said Stone, is her Figure in Brass; and over her Head thus.

I know that Christ Jesus, my Redeemer, liveth, by whose Aperits, and aboundant Apercies towards me, I have an assured Hope of everlatting Salvation.

SUNNING Hundred.

SANDHURST,

On a Brass Plate, fixed on a small Blue Stone, laid under the East Window of the Chancel, is the Figure of a Man in a Cloke, and his Wife by him, under whom is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth buried the Bodies of RICHARDGEALE, and ELIZABETH his Wife, who had Issue 4 Sons and 5 Daughters. The said Richard deceased the 18th of Sept. Anno Dni. 1608.

Underneath are the Figures of the Nine Children on Brass.

East HAMSTED,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Reading, Patrons Christ Church College in Oxford; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Powers.

Under the South Window of the Chancel is a Brass Plate, fixed to a Blue Stone, and thereon the Figure of a Man to the middle, with this Inscription.

Drate pro anima Thome Berwyck, nuper in Societate M. I. Fowler, de Capella Regis H. VI. qui obiit in vigilia Sancti Andree Anns Christi, Millimo CCCCLXIII. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Marble, lying in the middle of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet EDMUND THORALD, Armiger, Scaccarii Marescall. Mortuus Maii 1. An. Dui. 1646, Ætatis vero 70. in eodem lecto quiescit MARIA Uxor unica qua prolem ei peperit 13. Mortua Sept. 3. 1645. An. Etatis 58. Prope etiam jacent dua filia, SARAH Virgo Mortua Aug. 17. 1644. et ELIZABETHA WILLIELMO BROUGH, Sa. Ta. Dri. nupta, prolis 10. Parens 27. Aug. Martua Ano. Ætatis 36. 1645. Cujus MARIA altera, ante Matrem bic sepulta est, 1643. Hac omnium sors est, tua erit Lector.

The late Sir William Trumball had a Seat here.

ARBERIFIELD,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Reading, Incumbent the Reverend Mr. Sale.

In a Chapel, on the North Side of the Chancel, is a fair Monument, erected against

gainst the North Wall, whereon lye the Statues of a Man and Woman in White Marble, with the following Inscription.

Qui hoc saculo Justitiam in terris detivuit,
Hospitali passim exuli Hospitum prabuit,
Charitatem vulgo frigentem sinu suo fovit,
Humanum genus ut amicos,
amicus ut ipsum se coluit:

Qui eruditionem gravitate morum antiquorum, senectutem mira jucundissimi ingenii alacritate, morte alta in Deum side sustinuit GULIELMUS STANDEN.

Arberfildensis, Attrebatiinatalibus clarus, Anno quo Regum optimus Jacobus in lucem banc editus.

Quam reliquit Anno 1639. Maii 18. Quicquid habuit mortale, hic deposuit Ubi se quoque condi voluit

Uxor omni nomine charissima MARIA, SAMUELIS BACKHOUSE, de Swallowseild,

Armigeri, filia natu quarta singulari castitate, pietate, et in inopes benesicentia spectabilis; juxta dilectissimum sibi

NICOLAI LOVE, Armigeri, filiorum.
Qui natus Ano. 1637. Aprill 110.
anno insequente Maii 30.

Quo die Christi in Calum ascensus celebratur, Remigravit ad Deum. Over the foregoing Monument hangs Mr. Standen's Coat of Armour, Crest, Mantle, Helmet, and a Penon of his Arms.

At the Feet of the aforesaid Statues is the Figure of a Child in White Marble, lying upon its right Side.

Near the Entrance into the Chancel, on a Brass Plate, fixed to a Grave-stone, is this Inscription.

Bleffed are the dead which dye in our Lord.

Here lyeth the Body of Thomas Haward, Gent. with Anne his Wife, and Frances their only Child; who was married to William Thorald, Esquire, and had Issue by him 7 Sons and 7 Daughters. This Thomas Haward departed the 4th of November, Ano. Dni. 1643.

SUNNING,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Reading, Patron the Dean of Salisbury; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Hughes. At the upper End of the Chancel lyes a Grave-stone, and thereon a Brass Plate, having the Figure of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman in the Habit of her Times, and underneath them this Inscription.

Pere, under this Stone, lyeth William Barker, kumtyme Steward, and Receiver of this Lord-thip of Sunning, and Anne his Wife; the which William departed out of this present Lyfe the 18th Day of Sept. in the Peare of our Lord God, 1549. and the third Peare of the Raigne of our Soveraigne Lord King Edward the Sixt.

On whose Soule Ihesu have Mercy.

Under this are the Figures of his Daughters on Brafs Plates.

of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman in her usual Habit, with the fol-"Upon another Grave flone have been the Brafs Figures (now flolen away) lowing Verses underneath their Feet.

Here treth the Copps of William Barker, Elquire, in Bowells of the Grave, His Anne doth mourne among the rest, who least may miss her Abate. Anne spring of Stoughton's Stock, an antient Progent, She, with her Children, waile this Chance, and dolefull Westing, Det this, both we, and all, have justly to rejoyce, Haith, and friendly Peart, hath won the Peoples Appre, Pou weredowes wayle his Lolle, and Opphaus withe his Lyfe, Vou dearely want his wifdomes Shill, whose Causes are at Strife; noticle Wates, by all Abens doome, deserbed a longer Lyfe to have his Body in this Soyl, and earthly Seate doth lye, his Came in Ayre, his Cholt for aye, doth live aloft the Shye. Obiit 25 Augusti, Anno 1575. D d d 2 De rou alone lament, pour friends untimely hate,

Upon a Brass Plate, fixed in a Marble laid between the aforesaid Grave-stones, is engraved this Inscription.

M. S.
To this Vault are committed,
the Bodies of
ANTHONY BARKER, Knt. who
deceased Feb. 16. 1630. A. Etatis 72.
and had Issue.

Here deposited,

In Rest elsewhere,

LAWRENCE, DOROTHY, FRANCES, JANE.

Now living,

WILLIAM, NATHANIELL, ANTHONY, LETTICE. All by Lady JANE, his first Wife, who departed Febr. 1609.

His second Wife, Lady ANNE, surviving.

WILLIAM BARKER, Esq; had Tijue by MARY, his Wife, Daughter and Co-heire of WILLIAM BRIDEN, of Ipswich, here interred.

WILLIAM, HENRY, WILLIAM, ANTHONY, MARY, ANTHONY, MARY, Sept. 16. 1647. Anno March 21. 1649.

Yet furvive,

JOHN,
ROBERT,
FRANCES,
ANNE,
ELIZABETH

July 22. 1649.

Adjoyning to the North Side of the second Grave-stone abovementioned, is another, having a Brass Plate, bearing the Figure of a Woman in her usual Habit, with the following Inscription under her Feet.

Here

Here lyeth the Body of Anne Staverton, Daughter, and sole Heire of William Barker, the elder, Esquire, deceased, late the Wife of William Staverton, of Okingham, in the County of Berks, Gentleman; by whome he had Issue four Sons, viz. Francis, William, George, and John, who departed this World the 21 Day of Sept. in the Yeare of our Lord God 1589.

A Friend unto the Widdow, fatherless, sick and poore, A Comfort and a Succour continued she evermore.

Underneath are the Pourtraitures of four Sons.

Under the East Window of the Chancel, on a Brass Plate, fixed to a Grave-stone, is the Figure of an Ecclesiastick in his Habit and Furs, under whose Feet is this Inscription.

Diate pro anima Domini Johannis Hide, quondam Aicarii istius Ecclesie, ac Prebendarii Prebende de Collegio Beate Marie de Otter. qui obitt ir Die Wens. Aprilis, An Ini. 1505 Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

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Northward of the last Grave-stonelyes a small Marble, whereon is the Figure of a Man in a short Gown, with this Infcription.

Here, under this Stone, lyeth Anthony Barker, Son of Anthony Barker, who departed out of this present Lyfe the 8 Day of Dec. in the Pere of our Lord God, 1546.

On whose Soule Ihelu have Mercy. Amen.

At the Foot of the Steps to the High Altar is another Grave-stone laid, with a Brass Plate on it bearing this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of THOMAS
FROGNALL, Gent. Mr. of Arte in
Oxford, who dyed the 23
Day of Aug. 1612. being of the
Age of Fourscore and ten Teares.

O! let my Soul live, and it shall praise thee.

On another Stone North of the last, is the Figure of a Woman in a Veil, and under her the following Inscription and Verses. Here lyeth ELIZABETH CHUTE, Daughter of Sir George Chute, Knight, and Dame Anne, his Wife, who lived 3 Teares and 6 Moneths, and dyed the 18th of May, An. 1627.

What Beauty would have lovely stiled, What Manners sweete, what Nature mild, What Wonder perfect, all were fild Upon Record, in this one Child: And till the coming of the Soule To call the Flesh, we keepe the roll.

In the middle of the Chancel lyes a Grave-stone, with a Brass Plate bearing the Figure of a Man in Armour, resting upon a Lion; out of his Mouth issues this Scrowl.

Wibet anima mea, laudabit te, et judicia tua adjubabunt me.

Under his Feet is this Inscription.

Pic jacet Laurencius Fyton, Armiger, quondam Balibus de Sonnyng. Dui obiit 29 Die Pent. Marcii, Anno Oni. 1434. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

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On a White Marble is this Inscription.

AMBROSE BARKER, June 159.

On another next adjoining is this Inscription.

JOANE BARBER.

On the South Side of the East Window, in the Chancel, is the Figure of a Woman kneeling at a Desk, and at the Bottom this following Inscription.

Here lieth buried the Body of KATHERINE Lady LITCOTT, late of St. Sepulchres Parish, London, Widdow, Daughter of William Barker, of Sunning, in the County of Berks, Esq; who was first married to William Yong, of Basseldon, in the County of Berks, Esq; by whome she had Sir William Yong, Knight, who married Anne, the Daughter and Co-heire of Sir Richard Palet. Knight, and dyed without Issue, before whose Death, the said Katherine took to a second Husband Sir Christopher Litcott, Knight, who dyed without Issue, after whose Death she continewed a Widdow

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more than 30 Yeares, leading a vertuous and sanctified Life, in Meditation every Day of her last Day, consecrating her self to a pious hearing and reading the Word of God, zealous of good Workes, exceeding charitable to the Poore, as well by settled Allowance to divers, as by her daily open Hand, a faithful Steward of Gods Blessings, and laying up for her self much Treasure in Heaven; helpfull to all her Friends; in great measure respected by the best; where she lived, beloved of all; alwaies of good Name and happy Fame; a Credit to ber Friends and Family; and as the whole Course of her Lyfe was truly godly, so was the End thereof rightly Happy in a longing Defire to be with Christ, often reiterating these Words, Come Lord Jhesus, come quickly, and calling upon God in a strong assured Faith, in the Merits of Christ her Saviour, departed this Lyfe upon the 17th Day of January, in the beginning of her 77th Yeare of her Age. Anno Dni. 1630.

At the Entrance into the Chapel, on the North Side of the Chancel, lyes a Marble Grave-stone, having the following Epitaph on it.

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Here lyeth the Body of LEONARD HOOKE, of Early Court, in the County of Berks, Gent. who died March 27. Ano.

Dni. 1625. and of URSULA his Wife, who died Sept. 15. 1658. in Memory of whome, theire pious Daughter Anne Lady Clarke, hath laid this Stone.

At the Foot of this Stone is another bearing this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
DOROTHY HOOKE, Daughter
of LEONARD HOOKE, and URSULA
his Wife, who deceased on
the 25th of March, 1651.

As also

Mr.LEONARD HOOKE, her Father, with ROBERT and SAMUELL, her Brothers, lye here interred.

This Stone was laid to the Memory of Mrs. Dorothy Hooke, by Mrs. Anne Hooke, her Sifter, Anno 1652.

On a Monument erected within the Wall of the North Ile, where, within a round Compartiment, is the Statue in White Marble of a Woman to the middle, under whom is this Inscription.

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MEMORIÆ SACRUM:
Domina Anna Clarke, Uxor JoHannis Clarke, de Salford, in Comitatu Warwici, Baronetti, filia JoHannis Williams, nuper de Marnhevill, in Com. Dorfet, Armigeri, H.S.E.

Da lacrymas tumulo Lector, sed veras, quales fuderunt Maritus et frater Johannes Williams, Baron. et M. M. P. An. Dni. 1654.

Maritus hic optat cineres suos jacere, Urna ferat violas, perpetuumque vale.

Dixit MAURITIUS WILLIAMS, Eques Auratus, defuncta Patruelis, Obiit 1°. Sept. An. Dni. 1653.

On another White Marble Monument, fet in the same Wall, Eastward of the former, is this Inscription.

Carius Williams, Gen. una cum sorore, cujus fatum vix An°. pracessit, H. S. E. Janus Williams, Frater Bar. Hoc etiam affectus sui, et doloris Monumentum, M. M. P.

Under an Escotcheon in the same Wall, bearing a Chev. between 3 Boars Heads, is this Inscription.

ROBERT WRIGHT, Sac. Theolog. Profess. Oxon.

On a Stone laid in the middle of the North Chancel is this Inscription.

Hic jacet corpus
SUSANN Æ Uxoris ANTONII
ENGLEFEILD, de WhiteKnights, Armigeri, quæ obiit
fecund. Die Junii,
A. D. 1664.
Ætatis vero suæ 65.
Requiescat in pace,
Amen.

In the South Ile of the Church, on a Brass Plate fixed to a Grave-stone, is a Man in compleat Armour, and underneath him is this Inscription.

Pic jacet Robertus Lenham, Armig. qui obitt Pono Die Aprilis, Anno Oni. 1491. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen. At the Head of this Grave-stone lyes another with this Inscription.

Of your Charity pray for the Soules of Roger Arche, who deceased the 22 Day of Jan. in the Peare of our Lord God, 1536. On whose Soule Ihesu have Mercy.

In the South Wall of a Chapel, on the South Side of the Chancel, is a Monument bearing the following Inscription.

Here,
in the Hope
of a blessed Resurrection,
lyeth interred the Body of
CHARLES RICH,

of the Age of three Yeares, and who ended his Mortality on the 22th of October, 1655.

and also the Body of ELIZABETH RICH, of the Age of 5 Yeares, who layd off her earthly Tabernacle the 26 of March, 1656. both of them

the Children of THOMAS RICH, of Sunning,

Esquire,

and of ELIZABETH bis Wife.

Suffer

Suffer little Children, and forbid them not to come unto me, for of such is the Kingdome of Heaven, Matt. 19.14.

> Ereptus est cito, ne malitia immutaret intellectum ejus.

> > Qua Spectatissime florent, celerrime Marcescunt.

Eorundem Epitaphium Hexasticho conceptum.

Maternæ effigies, decus paternum, Lusus, blanditiæ, jocus, venustæs, Et balbus rosæs lepos labellis; Oris gratia, suavitasque morum, Et quicquid teneros decebat annos, Hoc sunt, quo pueri, sepulta busto.

This Place is washed by the River Kennet, into which a small Rivulet salleth, called Lodden, which at length comes into the Thames. Our Historians report this to have been dignified by an Episcopal See, which was translated by Bishop Herman to Sherburn, and from thence to Salubury.

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RUSCOMBE,

Is a Corps belonging to one of the Prebendal Stalls in the Cathedral Church of Salisbury, and is in the Patronage of the Bishop of that See.

In the Church-yard, on the South Side, is a raised Monument, on the Top-stone whereof is this Inscription.

Depositum
RICARDI ALDWORTH,
de Hinton Pipard,
in Com. Wilts,
Generosi, Viri pii
et integri, qui
fatis cessit
15° Die Martii,
Anno Dni.
1638.

HURST,

Is a Vicaridge; and part of this Parish is in Wiltstire, being an Impropriation belonging to the Dean of Windsor, who presents the Vicar. Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Hughes.

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In the North Ile of the Chancel, in a North Window, were 4 Escotcheons; there now remains only,

Party per Chevron, Ermin and G.

Also this Coat, with a level of 3 Wings empaled by some other Coat, which is broken.

Also, Ar. 3 Swords, one in Pale, one pointing to the dexter Corner in Chief, the other to the finister, all proceeding from one Pommel in the Centre of the Escotcheon, G.

Fixed to the North Wall is a Tomb

with a Stone upon it.

On Brass Plates in the Wall, within an Arch over it, are the Pourtraitures of a Man and Woman kneeling Face to Face; behind the Man are 8 Sons, behind the Woman 8 Daughters. Under the Man this Inscription.

Vita fugit, Wardus cecidit, nec funera defle
Perpetuam vitam qui bene vixit habet.
Stemmate clarus erat, vere Christumque timebat,
Atque placere Deo maxima cura fuit.
Hinc Christo dilectus erat, Christusq; favebat,
Atque sibi Christus cuncta secunda dedit.
Octavo Henrico, Edwardo, Mariæ, Elizabethæ,
Aulæ proquestor sidus amansque suit.
Illis sidus erat, dilectus, & omnibus illis
Nulla sibi quærens commoda, nulla suis,
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Ut pia vita fuit, sic mors pia, diquaque vita, Et sibi per mortem vita perennis adest Consortem Thalami tandem sociatque Colubram, Quos humus una tegit junxit ut unus amor.

On a Plate, over the Woman, is this Inscription.

Colubra Ward dyed the 14th Day of Aprill, Anno 1574.

There was a large Inscription under her, as large as that under the Man, which is gone.

Arms over the Man:

Ar. on a Chevron, Sa. 3 Foxes Heads erased, Or, on a Chief Az. a Cross Patonee, betwixt 2 Martlets of the 3d empaling.

G. on a Bend Ar. 3 Dolphins, Vert.

Betwixt them is the Man's Coat single,
with the Crest, viz. a Fox's Head erased,

Or.

Over the Woman is her own Coat

fingle.

On the top of the Arch is Ward. Ward impaling, Ar. 6 Morehens 321 proper, and Ward impaling as before.

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Upon the Tomb, under the flat Stone, are, 1. Ward. 2. An Escotcheon, which is gone. 3. Ward impaling the Dolphins. 4. Ward single. 5. The Dolphins single.

Fixed to the same Wall is a very fair Monument, on which are the Effigies of a Man in a Gown, and a Woman, kneeling Face to Face; below them an Infant in a Cradle; behind the Man are 2 Daughters; and under them 3 Sons. Behind the Woman, a Man in Armour, and a Woman, kneeling Face to Face. At the bottom of the Monument, under them, a Man and Woman. Over the top of the Monument is this Inscription.

Mihi vita Christus. Memoria Sacrum. Mihi mors Lucrum.

Under the first Man and Woman is this Inscription.

Here resteth, in Expectation of a joyful Resurrection, the Lady Margaret Savile, Daughter to George Dacres, Esquire, descended from the right Noble, and auncient Family of the Barons Dacres of the North. She had three Husbands, the sirst George F f f 2

Garrard, Esq; second Sonne to Sir William Garrard, Kt. sometimes Lord Major of London. The second John Smith, Esq; in the County of Esfex. The third the honourable, and most famous Knight, both for the Studies and Advancement of Learning, Sir Henry Savile, Reader to Queen Elizabeth, of bleffed Memory, Warden of Merton Colledge in Oxford, and Provost of Eaton, where he lyeth interred, and by them 9 Children. By her first Husband 3 Daughters. The eldest, the Lady Ann Carleton, Wife to the Lord Carleton, Viscount Dorchester; the second dyed in her Infancy; the youngest, the Lady Frances Harrison, Wife to Sir Richard Harrison, Kt. By ber second Husband & Sonns, all which deceased in their Infancy. By her 3d Husband 2 Sons, which dyed young, and one Daughter, the Lady Elizabeth Sidley, Wife to Sir John Sidley, Baronett. She erected this Monument whilst she was living, for her self and hers, being desirous to deposite her Body in the Place, where living she had found so much Content, and so sweet a Repose of her Age. She was born at Cheshunt in Hartfordshire, and dyed An. Dni. 1631. Ætatis suæ 73.

Arms

Arms over the top of the Canopy over them, are,

Ar. on a Bend, Sa. 3 Owls of the Field,

a Mullet dif. impaling.

Ar. a Chevron Sa. betwixt 3 Torteuxes, each charged with an Escallop Shell of the Field.

On the dexter Side of this.

Ar. on a Bend Sa. 3 Mascles of the Field, impaling.

Ar. on a Fesse Sa. a Lion Passant of the

Field, a Mullet dif.

On the finister Side.

Quarterly, 1 and 4, Or, on a Chief, Sa. 3 Spread Eagles of the Field. 2. Ward. 3. Garrard. The Crest, a Talbot's Head, Or, spotted with black Spots of Ermin, issuing out of a Coroner, Or.

Arms within the Canopy, on the dex-

ter Side.

Az. a Fesse Wavy betwixt 3 Goats Heads,

erased, Ar. impaling Savile.

On the finister Side, over the Man in Armour, and his Wife, is Harrison impaling Garrard.

On a fair Monument of Black and White Marble, fixed to the South Wall, are the Effigies of a Man in Armour, kneeling on one Knee, and a Woman kneel(406)

kneeling, and leaning on her Arm, Face to Face. Beyond them, within the Monument, is a Man standing. Under them, on one Table, is this Inscription.

Here lyes the Body of Sir Richard Harrison, eldest Son of Sir Richard Harrison, Lord of Whistly and Hinton, in this Parish, Kt. He married Dorothy, the only Daughter and Heiress of William Deane, of Wethercote, in Oxfordshire, E/q; by whom he had 13 Sons and 2 Daughters, and lived in Wedlock 49 Teares with her. He served King Charles the I. all the Time of the Civil Wars, for which he suffered the Persecution of Sequestration, Composition, &c. His Estate was much wasted, by raising 2 Troops of Horse, at his own Charge, for the King; with the first he served under the Command of the right Honourable Earle of Crawford, by his Majesty's Appointment, and after, under the Command of Coll. Thomas Howard, since Earl of Barkshire, who married his Sister. and lived to see the joyfull Return of King Charles the 2d, under whom he bore the Office of Justice of Peace, as his Father had done, and Deputy Lieutenant, and was chosen one of the Pri(407)

vy Chamber in ordinary to his Majestie, and in the 72d Year of his Age, he exchanged this Life for a better the 23 of Aug. in the Year 1683.

On the other Table is this Inscription.

Philippi Harysoni, Gen. juvenis summa spei, filiique natu minimi Richardi Harysoni, Equit. Aur. et Dom. Dorothez, optima Conjugis, ob. Dec. 25. 1683. Æt. sua 22.

Stay, Reader, and observe Deaths partiall Doome, A spreading Vertue in a narrow Tombe; A generous Mind mingled with common Dust (Like burnisht Steel cover'd and lost in rust.) Dark in this Earth he lyes, in whom did shine All the divided Merits of his Line. The Lustre of his Name seems faded here, No fairer Starr in all that fruitfull Sphere: In Piety and Parts extreamly bright, Cleare was his Youth, and filled with growing Light, A Morne that promised much, yet saw no Noone, None ever rose so fast, and set so soon; All Lines of Worth were center'd here in one, Tet see, he lyes in Shades, whose Life had none. But while the Mother this fad Structure rears, A double Diffulution there appeares, He into Dust dissolves, she into Teares.

Arms over this Monument, are, Haryfon single, the Crest as before. On an Oval Table Monument, fixed to the East Wall, is this Inscription.

H. S. E.

Gulielmus Haryson, S. T. B. filius Richardi Haryson, Equitis Aurati, & Dorotheæ Uxoris, juxta sepultorum, qui post Tyrocinium in Schola Wintoniensi, tam Moribus, quam Doctrina fæliciter peractam, in Collegio Wadhamensi, apud Oxonienses, S. S. Literarum studiis, et sidei que est in Christo Jesu, usque a prima juventute per plures annos incubuit. Unde tandem evocatus est in messem Domini expertus, vigilans, et fidus operarius: Et cum operarius dignus sit mercede sua, haud diu in verbo et doctrina laboraverat, quin in Diocasi Wintoniensi, ad Rectoriam Ecclesia Parochialis de Cheriton, ad Hospitii Sancta Crucis Magisterium, et denuo ad Ecclesia Cathedralis Prabendam provectus fuerit, bis etiam Synodo Cler. a citus omnibus bisce promotionibus par, omnibus dignus, et de omnibus bene meritus; utpote qui in Ædificiis Ecclesiasticis apud Cheriton et HospitiumSancta Crucis pradictum, ultra duo millia Sterlingorum magnifice expendit. Et qui plus quam annuos Prebenda redditus (409)

redditus in Eleemosynis, Philoxenia ceterisque istiusmodi (quibus summe præcelluit) bonis operibus, sponte, hilariter, et sine murmuratione erogavit. Vera sunt hæc Lector, modesta et non sicta gloriabundi marmoris ornamenta. Vade et tu fac similiter, matri Ecclessa, Uxori, liberis, amicis, et maxime omnium pauperibus (quos tamen in Testamento Legatorios conscripsit desiderandus. Ob. Aug. die 7°. An. Dni. 1694. Ætatis suæ 53.

Arms over this, Quarterly, 1 and 6 Haryson. 2. Ward. 3. Garrard.

4. Ar. a Chevron betwixt 3 Crescents,

Az.

5. Ar. 3 Burrs Sa. In the Center of

all a Crescent dif.

Arms under it, Haryson, with a Crescent dif. impaling Ar. a Lion Rampant,

Sa. crowned; Or.

Over this Monument, on an Atchievement, is Haryson with the same Quarterings, as on the Monument, impaling this last, the Crest as before.

On a little Escotcheon near this, is Ha-

ry son quartering Ward.

On a Streamer, is Harrison quartering Ward, impaling Garrard, quartering the half Moons as before.

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On a flat Grave-stone, upon a Brass Plate, is the Pourtraiture of a dying, or dead Woman, in a Bed: Engraved on the Stone under it is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Alse Haryson, the Wife of Thomas Haryson, Esq; eldest Daughter of Richard Ward, Esq; Cofferer to Queen Elizabeth, who died in Child-bed of her first Sonne, Richard Haryson, Esquire, the Father of Sir Richard Haryson, Kt.

Engraved on another is this Inscription.

M. S.

Elizabethæ Marsh, Uxoris Jacobi Marsh, S. T. D. filiæ Johannis Davisii, de Pangborne, in agro Bercensi, Equitis, quæ obiit 21 Nov. Anno Salutis, 1634.

Francisca Turner, è puerperio matri funesto nata superstes Officii pariter ac doloris Monumentum posuit, Anno 1663. Engraved on another is this Inscription.

In Memory of two Children, one baptised James, Sons of John Lewis, of Coydmor, in the County of Cardigan, Esq; by Elizabeth, one of the Daughters of Landwick Lewis, of Landgoss, in the County of Brecknock, Esq; and great Grand-Children of Sir Richard Harison, late of this Place, Kt. James dyed the 23d of Jan. 168%. At atis sua nine Months.

Arms on this, 3 Snakes Frette in Tri-

angle.

On an Atchievement fixed to the North Wall, Haryson, with a Crescent dis. impaling.

Ermins, a Fleur de Lis, and on a Chief

Sa. a Mullet, Or.

The Creft as before.

In the South Ile of the Chancel, upon a Monument fixed in the North Wall, is the Effigies of a Man in a Gown, with a Book in his Hand. Under him, on a Table of Black Marble, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Henry Barker, of Hurst, in the Countye of Wilts, Esq;

G g g 2 who

who married Magdalen, the Daughter of William Cade, in the Countie of Essex, Esq; by whom he had Issue four Sons and one Daughter, viz. John, Henry, Henry, William, and Frances. He departed this Life the 27th of June, An. Dni. 1651. being the 77th Teare of his Age.

Arms on the dexter Side of this, Quarterly 1 and 4 Party per Chevron, engrailed Sa. Or, and a Lion Rampant counterchanged. 2 and 3 Ar. a Chief Sa. over all 3 Tilting Spears, Palewaye, counterchanged.

On the finister Side of it.

Ar. on a Fesse Az. betwixt 2 Lions Passant, Guardant, G. each charged with a Bezant on the Shoulder, a Tower triple towered between 2 Fleurs de Lis, Or.

Within the Arch, over the Effigies, on 2 feveral Escotcheons, Barker quartering

as before, impaling Cade.

Over the middle of the Monument,

Barker quartering as before.

The Crest a Demy Blackamore proper, with a Wreath of black and white Ribbon round his Temples, holding in his right Hand a Dart, Or, seathered, Az. in the other a Shield, Az.

On a square Table Monument, fixed to the East Wall, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Bodies of John Barker, Esq; who lived to the Age of 80 Teares and upwards (Servant, and Gentleman Usher to the famous late Queen Elizabeth 34 Teares) and of Frances, his Wife, one of the Daughters of Henry Mandefeld, of Amerdin, in the Countye of Buckingham, Esq; deceased, by whom (having lived together 52 Tears, and upwards) be had 8 Children, 3 Sons and 5 Daughters, and (being greatly beloved of good Men, and much lamented of the Poor) departed this Life, Jan. 23.

Anno Dni. 1620.

Arms both under and over this, are Barker quartering as before, impaling Sa. 3 dexter Hands couped at the Wrist, Ar.

On the dexter Side of the Table, Bar-

ker quartering as before.

On the finister, quarterly,

1. Mandefeld.

2. G. Cross Crusuly Fiche, and a Lion Ramp. Ar. a Crescent dis.

3. Ar. a Fesse Az. a Labell of 3 Points. G.

4. G. a Lion Rampant, varry.

5. Sa.

5. Sa. 2 Bends Ar.

6. Ar. a Chevron betwixt 3 Cross Patee Fiche, and a Bordure Sa. Bezancy.

Engraved upon a flat Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of John Barker, of Hurst, in the County of Wilts, Esq; who being in the 57th Yeare of his Age, dyed the 4th of Sept. 1661. His Wife Elizabeth, the Daughter of Edmund West, of Marsworth, in the County of Bucks, Esq; who dyed on the 8th of June 1677. lyeth also buried under this Stone.

Arms on this, Barker, quartering as before, a Crescent, in the Center of all a dif-

On an Atchievement hanging on the East Wall, Barker quartering as before, with a Crescent dis. impaling.

Sa. a Starr of 6 Points, or 2 Flanches

Ermine.

The Crest as before. The Man dead. On another in Lozenge, Barker quar-

tering, and impaling, as in the last Atchievement.

On another in Lozenge, quarterly, 1. Ar. 3 Barrs Gemelles, over all a

Lion Rampant, Sa.

2. Ar.

2. Ar. a Chevron betwixt 3 Asses, or Mules, Heads, erased, G.

3. Barry of 8 Ar. and G. on a Canton,

Sa. a Cross Patonee, Or.

4. Or, a Bend, Az.

5. Ar. a Fesse betwixt 2 Lions Passant, Guardant, Sab.

6. Ar. a Chevron betwixt 3 Martlets Sab.

7. G. on a Fesse, Or, betwixt 3 Fleurs

de Lis, Ar. 3 Torteuxes.

All impaling Barker, quartering as before.

Engraved on a flat Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Henry Fair-fax, second Sonn of Thomas, Viscount Fairfax, of Ernely, in Ireland, who married Frances, the only Daughter of Henry Barker, of Hurst, Esq; by whom he had 2 Sonns and one Daughter, viz. Henry, John, and Frances. He dyed the 4th Day of July, An. Dni. 1650. being the 50th Teare of his Age.

Arms over this, quarterly, 1. 2. 3. as before, 4. A Cross. 5. A Bend. 6. A Bend. 7. The Chevron betwixt the Martlets. 8. Fairfax. The Crest a Lyon Passant, a Crescent dis. In the Center, under

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under the Inscription. In a Lozenge, Fairfax, with a Crescent dis. impaling Barker, quartering as before.

On a Table Monument, fixed to the East Wall, is this Inscription.

Dedicated to the Memory of William Fairfax, Son to Henry Fairfax, Esq; by Anne his Wife, Daughter to Sir Thomas Browne, Kt. who dyed July the 27. 1684.

This little, silent, gloomy Monument,
Containes all that was sweet and innocent;
The softest Pratler that e'er found a Tongue,
His Voice was Musick, and his Words a Song.
Which now each listning Angell smiling heares,
Such tender Harmony composed the Spheres;
Fair as young Cherubius, as soft, as kind,
And tho translated, could not be refin'd.
The seventh dear Pledge the nuptiall Joyes had given,
Toyl'd here with Playretir'd to rest in Heaven,
Where they the shining Host of Angells fill,
Spread their gay Wings before the Throne and smile.

In the same Grave resteth also Anne Alathea, their Daughter.

Arms over this, in a Lozenge, Fairfax, with a Crescent dif.

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Engraved on a flat Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here restath Fran. the Grand-child of Henry Fairfax, of Burlington, in the County of Yorke, Esq; by his eldest Sonn Henry, and Ann his Wife, Daughter to Sir Tho. Browne, of Norwich, Kt. who dyed Sep. the 15. 1678.

Ætatis suæ 56.

Arms on this, Fairfax, with a Crescent.

On another Grave-stone is the following Inscription.

Under this Stone lyeth two deare departed Children, William, and Ann Alathea Fairfax, 1684.

On an Atchievement which hangs on the South Wall.

Quarterly, 1. and 4. Fairfax. 2. Barker. 3. The Spears as quartered by Barker, all impaling.

Ar. 2 Bends Sa. betwixt 2 Ogresses. The Crest, a Lion's Heud Sa. crowned, and 3 Barrs Gemelles upon it, Or. Engraved on a flat Grave-stone is this Inscription.

The Bodies of William Hyde, senior, Esq; who dyed in the 70th Tear of his Age, High-Sheriff of this County, and of William Hyde, Esq; his eldest Sonne, lye near this Place. Here under lye the Bodyes of Humphry Hyde, Gent. youngest Sonne of William Hyde, the elder, and of Mary his Wife, the Paughter of Sir John Cacher, of Binfeild, Kt. by whom he had 3 Sonns and 2 Daughters, viz. John, William, Humphry, Cecilia and Mary, be died the 18th of Nov. An. Dni. 1665. the 64th Tear of his Age.

Fuimus et Resurgemus.

Arms on this, Gul. 2 Chevrons, Ar. impaling.

Paly of 6 on a Chief, a Lion Passant,

Guardant.

The Crest, a Leopard's Head erased, Or, spotted, Sa.

On a Brass Plate, upon a flat Gravestone, round the Verge of the Plate, is this Inscription. Here lyeth buried the Body of Richard Kippax, Gentleman, who departed this Life the 14th Day of Sep. An. Dni. 1625.

On another Plate is this Inscription.

Elegicall, or monumentall Verses made upon the Death of Mr. Richard Kippax, sometimes Examiner of the Starr Chamber Office; which Verses, by a Friend well wishing to his Memory, are dedicated to Mrs. Ann Kippax, his late Wife, Sister to the worthy Gentleman, Sir Richard Fleetwood, Kt. Baronet, and Baron of Newton.

Fourty three Yeares about the World he went,
And then cast Anchor, all his Strength being spent.
To dye is dreadfull, but to set Life free,
Crown'd with rich Hopes, brings Joy, and so did he;
For his Soule wing'd with an ambitious Fire,
Told him there was a new Starr-Chamber higher,
Than that where our Lords sett at Westminster,
Nor could he rest till he had got in there:
His Office (here to that above) was base,
Heaven is indeed the true Examiners Place.
Four Countries challeng'd Shares in him on Earth,
To Lancashire he was engag'd for Birth;
To Middlesex he in deep Bondes did runne,
For free and generous Education;

In Wiltshire did his Life break all her Charms, Whilft Barkshire vow'd his Grave should be her Arms. But his pure Soul, which did base Earth contemn, Is a Freeholder in Jerusalem.

In the Body of the Church, on a small Table Monument, fixed to the South Wall, is this Inscription.

Hic pulvere obdormiscit quod mori potuit Gulielmi Clark, L. L. B. sidelissimi hujus Ecclesia Pastoris, cujus pars melior supra mortem triumphans anno Ministerii 37. Atatis sua 62. Salutis 1675. In patriam Calestem migravit Anna superstes vidua amantissima pietatis ergo, M. P.

Arms on this, Ar. on a Bend, G. betwixt 3 Ogresses, 3 Swans proper.

Engraved on a flat Grave-stone, near the Steeple, is this Inscription.

In Memory of Tho. Harborne, eldest Sonn of Richard Harborne, of Overton, in the County of Northamptonshire, Gent. He married Mary, Daughter of Richard Bayley, Gent. who died Aug. 21. 1680. Here lyeth also his Brother, who died Sep. the 10th. 1677. In the North Ile of the Church. Arms in a North Window.

Sa. on a Chevron, G. 3 Trefoiles, Ar. in the dexter Chief, a Mullet of the 3d.

Ar. betwixt 2 Chaines with long square Links, in Bend, 3 Boars Heads couped, Sa. Az. 3 Trunks, or Boughs of a Tree, raguled in Pale, Ar.

Arg. a Crofs, Gules.

In the West Window.

The Field is Az. like a Tree in the middle, Vert. the Crescent, Ar.

On a Black Marble Table, edged with White, fixed to the North Wall, is this Inscription.

Near this Place lyeth buried the Body of the Lady Phebe, one of the Daughters of James Ley, Earl of Marlborow, sometime Lord High Treasurer of England, late Wife to Rich. Bigg, of Hurst, in the County of Wilts, E/q; who had Issue by him 4 Sonns, viz. James, John, Daniel, and Richard. She died the 13th of Feb. 1653.

Party per Pale, Ermine and Az. a Lion Passant, G. crowned, Or, a Bordure engrailed grailed of the 3d, Seme de Fleur de Lis of the 4th, impaling.

Ar. a Chevron betwixt 3 Seales Heads

erased, Sa.

On a small Lozenge Table, fixed to the same Wall, is this Inscription.

Neare this Place lyeth the Body of Thomas Bayley, of Hurst, Gent. who dyed the 20th of June, 1684. in the 72 Year of his Age.

Armson this, Or, 3 Lozenges, Azi

Engraved upon a Black Marble, on an Altar Monument, at the West End of this Ile, is this Inscription.

Here lies the Body of Richard Bigg, fourth Son of Richard Bigg, of Hainfhill, in Hurst, in the County of Wilts, Esq; his Mother being the Lady Phebe Ley, Daughter of James, Earle of Marlborough, who in his great Charity gave to the Poore of this Parish Three Houses in St. Giles in the County of Middlesex, which Houses he directed for the buying of Bread weekly for the Poor, and died the last of July, 1677. being in the 27th Tear of his Age.

Arms on this, Bigg.

Near the Church is an Alms-house ere-Hed by William Barker, Esq; for the Habitation of 8 poor People, with an Allowance of Three Shillings and Six Pence weekly, to each of the faid poor People, and a Gown once in two Years. Deed of Settlement is dated Aug. 4th. 1682. is enrolled in the King's Remembrancers Office, in Michaelmas Term, 1685. in the first Year of King James the 2d, and is lodged with the Church Wardens of the Three feveral Liberties of the Parish of Hurst. Those 8 Persons, 3 out of Whistly Liberty, 2 out of Wilts, 2 out of Winburft, and one out of Newland, as any Vacancy happens, are to be elected by the Heir of the faid William Barker, as appears in a Frame which hangs upon a Pillar in the Church, where the Lands fettled for this purpose, as also the Qualifications of the Persons are also specified.

He died March 25. 1685, and is buried in the South Chancel of the Church, as appears by an Inscription set up over the Door of the Alms-house, by Henry Fairfax, Esq; his Nephew and Heir.

In the great Parlour Window of the House where Mr. Lewis lives, which did be-

belong to the Family of Barker, and came by Inheritance from them to Mr. Fax, fax, the present Owner thereof; which House is situate in Wiltshire, are these Arms.

In the middle, Barker with the Crest and quartered Coat, as in the Church.

On the dexter Side of this, Mandefeld with quarterings, as in the Church.

On the finister Side, quarterly,

1. Cade.

2. Ar. 2 Chevrons, Az. a Crescent and Mullet dif.

3. Sa. 3 Pales, Or.

- 4. G. on a Chevron, Ar. 3 Dolphins, Vert.
- 5. Ar. a Cross betwixt 4 Escallop Shells,
- 6. G. 3 Escotcheons, Ar.

WARGRAVE Hundred.

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The Hundred of Wargrave did for many Ages belong to the Bishops of Winchester, and before that to the Crown. Edith Regina tenuit in Weregrave, &c. Before her, Emma, the Mother of Edward the Confessor, had the Manor of Weregrave

in her Possession, which she gave, with 8 others, to the Church of Winchester. King H. 1. Founder of the Abbey of Reading, gave to it (inter alia) Tucheam et Ecclesiam de Weregrave, quomodo in manu med suere, which was confirmed to them by King H.

them by King H, 2.

King H. 3. by Letters Patents grants to Peter de Rupibus (Bishop of Winchefter) all Felons Goods, &c. in the Manors of Wargrave, Waltham St. Laurence, Warfeild, and Billingbere; and that no Sheriff, nor Bailiff of the King, should have any Power, or Entrance into the same, except only in Case of Attachments.

grants to John de Pontifera, or Pontois, return of Writs, Attachments de Placitis Corona, so that no Sheriff, &c. should execute those Offices, except the Bishops Of-

ficer neglected to do it.

Free Chase, and Free Warren, in all those his Lands, both within and without the Forest (only he was not to take Nests) also Freedom from Expeditation of Dogs, from the Power of the King's Foresters, and from Chearinage (i. e. Toll for Way Farage through the Forest) and also Power to assart his Lands.

King E. 3. gave to Adam de Orleton, Bishop of Winchester, all Amerciaments, Forseitures, &c. which belonged to him de Anno, Die, & vasto.

An antient Perambulation makes the Rivers Loddon and Thames the Bounds of this Part of the Forest, which consequently comprehends all this Parish.

June 4. 1551. John Poynet, Bishop of Winton, did by Indenture give to King E. 6. the Manors of Wargrave, Waltham, Billingbere, and Warfeild (of which the Hundred of Wargrave confifts) and all Franchises thereunto belonging, together with the Advowsons of the Churches, which was confirmed by the Dean and Chapter, Sept. 4. following, which King on the 22 of the same Month of Sep. grants the same to Henry Nevill, Esq; then Gentleman of his Bed-Chamber, and to his Heirs; and to Winifrede Loss. All the Grants of Bishop Poynet were annulled in Queen Mary's .Time, by virtue of a Warrant from the King to Nicholas Heath, Arch-Bishop of York, and Sir Will. Cordel, Master of the Rolls, by virtue whereof, John White, who succeeded in that See, enjoyed these Manors as the Bishops of old had done. But in the 1st Year of Queen Eliz. an Act of Parliament was past, confirming Poynets Grants, and debarring White's White's Right; by which means Sir Henry Nevill was restored, whose Posterity

enjoy these Manors to this Day.

The Lord of the Manor, and Patron of the Vicaridge, is Richard Nevill, of Billingbere, Esq; the present Vicar Mr.... Frenchman; the Impropriator Mr..... Aldworth. The great Tythes did formerly belong to Reading Abbey.

The foregoing Account was drawn up by Mr. W. Derham, late Vicar here, and communicated by the present to John Hare,

Esq; Richmond Herald.

In the Chancel, on a Monument fixed to the North Wall, on the top of which is a Ship, under it is this Inscription.

Impiger extremos currit Mercator ad Indos, Per mare, pauperiem fugiens, per saxa, per ignes.

Memoria Sacrum.

Richardi Aldworth, Civis Londinenfis, cujus Corpus in Ecclesia Sancta Mariæ Aldermanbury, London, tumulatur, in cujus gratiam hoc Monumentum
in Ecclesia de Wargrave, Richardo
Aldworth, consecratum est, et in tesseram obedientia sua ad Patrem suum charissimum, nec non Johannem Aldworth,
et Aliciam Uxorem ejus, antecessores
suos; hic simul contumulatos, positum.

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Duxit

Duxit in Uxorem primam, Annam filiam Richardi May, Civis et Armigeri, Londinensis, ex qua suscepit filium unicum suum, bujus parvuli Monumenti authorem. Et secundam vero conjugem duxit Margaretam filiam Thomæ Deane, de Reading, ex illa filios Thomam, & Willielmum, unamque filium Margaretam genuit: 13 Die Maii, Anno Salutis à Christo, 1623. Ætat. vero 66. in Domino obdormivit, et secundum Christi adventum in gloria et pace expectat.

Arms under this, Ar. a Chevron, G. be-

twixt o Cloves, Sa.

Ar. a Chevron betwixt 5 Cross Croslets Fiche, and 3 Dragons Heads couped, each with a Cross Croslet Fiche in his Mouth, G. Aldworth impaling.

G. a Fesse betwixt 6 Billets, Or.

On a Monument, fixed to the same Wall, is this Inscription.

Near to this Place lyeth interred the Body of William Kirby, Esq; who took to Wife Elizabeth, the Daughter of Robert Bryan, of Henley, in the County of Oxford, Gent. by whom he had

had Issue 5 Sonns and 5 Daughters. He departed this Life the 20th of October, An. Dni. 1649. aged 52 Yeares, for whose pious Memory his eldest Son erected this Memoriall.

My first Time spent in Peace, my later Age, By fate I acted on a warlike Stage; By Warrs not vanquish'd, nor by bloudy Foes, At last, in Peace, my dying Eyes I close: Wargrave, where long I lived, doe thoureceive This Pledge, thy Due, my Dust with thee I leave.

Under this.

The Sonne that gave this Pledge of Duty, dy'd E'er it was rais'd, and sleeps by's Father's side; In Son and Father equal Lott behoulde, Impartial Death, that spares not young nor (oulde.

Arms on this, Ar. 2 Barrs, and on a Canton, G. a Lion's Head erased, Or, impaling.

Ar. 3 Piles meeting in Base, G.

On a Grave-stone, near the former, is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Body of WIL-LIAM KIRBY, Master in Arts (eldest Son Son of the late deceased WILLIAM KIRBY, Esquire) who after a longe Sickness, patiently waiting on his Redeemer, putt on Immortality the 12th of May, An. Dni. 1650.

On a Monument, fixed to the North Wall of the Church, is this Inscription.

Near this Place lyes the Body of Francis Webb, who departed this Life the 30th Day of Sept. 1674. aged 67 Teares, whose latter part of his Time, for the space of 14 Teares was employed in an Office of Trust at Court, wherein he behaved himself with Integrity, and dyed as much lamented, as wanted. Near to the Body of the said Francis, lyeth the Body of Rebecca his Wife, who died Nov. 17. aged 87. An. Dni. 1688.

Arms on this, Webb, Az. a Fesse, G. 3 Martlets in chief, Or.

On a little Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Here lyes the Body of John Stevens, Son of Mr. Henry Stevens, who died Sep. 9. 1698. aged 4 Years and 4 Months.

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LAWRENCE-WALTHAM,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Reading, a Place of great Antiquity, as appears by feveral Roman Coins frequently cast up in plowing, &c. There feems to have been here a considerable Fort, if any Judgment can be formed from the vast Number of Bricks and Ruins discovered here. It stood in a Field called Weycock, i. e. the High Road, and is at least coaval with Claudius Gothicus, in 270. This Place afterwards was bestowed on the Abbey of Hurley. For a further Account of this Matter, see An Account of some Antiquities between Windsor and Oxford, publisted at the end of the 5th Volume of the Itinerary of John Leland, the Antiquary, Oxford, 1711. 8vo, page 121, 122. Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. W. Hancocke.

Towards the East End of the North Ile, is erected a stately Monument against the North Wall, whereon is the Statue of a Person kneeling, and facing the East; behind him are the Statues of his two Wives, and behind them, his Son in Armour, kneeling with his Wife behind him. Under

der the first mentioned Figure are these Verses.

Consilio atque manu sacris tumulantia sceptris
Pectoza, sub Pario marmoze presta jacent.
Sance sener, cujus sanciam stupet Anglia vitam;
Mors animos, mores, Regia sceptra, sidem.
Marmora si faceant, memori pro marmore servit
Anglia nominibus novilitata tuis.

Under these, on an Alabaster, is this Epitaph inscribed.

Dere lyeth Sir HENRY NE-VILL, Unight, descended of the Nevills, Barons of Abergavenny, who were a Branch of the Poule of Westmerland. De was (belides martiall Services) of the Privy Chamber to Bing Henry the Eight, and King Edward the Sirt. dyed the 13th of January, 1593. Mue he had by Dame ELIZA-BETH, tole Peire to Sir JOHN GRESHAM, Knight, by Dame FRANCES. fole Heire to Sir HENRY THWAITES, Unfaht: which Dame Elizabeth dred 6 Nov. 1573. Dame Frances Grefham bus ried the 27th of October, 1580. and are bothhere also buried, with Elizabeth Nevill, the elock Daughter. Near Near the middle of the North Ile is a fair Marble with this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of MARGERY MOCHETT, of Shiplacke, in the County of Oxon, Widdow, late Wife of John Mochett, deceased, Daughter of Richard Mattingly, of Lawrence-Waltham, deceased 50 Teares since. She dyed March the 21th, 1620. and she was of Age 76 Teares.

On another Marble, lying at the lower End of the North Ile, is this Inscription.

Under this Stone is buried the Body of Humphry Newbery, Esquire, late an Utter Barrester of Lincolnes Inn; who for his greate Learning, and Knowledge in the Lawes of this Land, was much esteemed by them that knew him and his Worth. He departed this Lyfe the 13th Day of July, 1638. aged 65 Teares and upwards.

On a Marble, on the North Side of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Here

Here rests the Body of that religious Gentlewoman, Mrs. MARY NEWBERY. late Wife of HUMPHRY NEWBERY, Esquire, deceased, and Daughter of THOMAS WELDON, late of Shottesbrooke, Esquire; whose pious Care in a religious Education of her Children, was one, among many Fruites of her godly Life. She deceased the 14th of August, 1640. aged 57 Yeares. And on her right Side sleepes her youngest Daughter, DOROTHY, whose early Wisdome and Goodness, was a president for riper Teares, who by her last and earnest Request (with her Father's approbation) obtained her Mother's consent to be buried by her here. She left this World the 17th Day of August, An. Dni. 1634. aged 11 Teares.

On the South Side of the Chancel is another Marble with this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Judith Smewyn, Spinster, Daughter of Thomas Smewyn, deceased of Teares since, buried the 22th of December, 1622. She was 32 Teares of Age.

At

At the West End of the South Ile stands a Monument of White Marble, being a Pillar, or Column, whose Capital and Pedestal are of Touch, and on the top an Urn of White Marble reversed; on the Capital of this Column is, in White Letters, this Inscription.

KATHERINE THOMAS, Daughter of Sir Anthony Thomas, died the 16th of December, 1657.

Under the Pedestal of the Column, in Black Letters, on a White Marble, is this Inscription.

Erected to her Demozy by her Sister, Elizabeth Thomas.

At the Foot of the same Monument lyes a Grave-stone thus inscribed.

KATHERINE THOMAS, 1657.
Resurgam.

Next to the faid Grave-stone stands a Table Monument, of Black Marble, with this Inscription.

Here

Here lyeth the Body of John Knight, Esquire, Barester at Law, who departed this Lyfe the 3d of Aprill, 1651.

WARFEILD.

On a Marble, laid near the high Altar, is this Inscription.

JOHANNES, MARIA VACHELL, perantiquis familiis, VACHELLORUM et VINCENTIUM oriundi. Hoc sacro teguntur marmore; Qui dum conjunctim vixerint, vivebant separatim, Nec ipsa mors conjunxit aut disjunxit. Erant enim utrique Catholici, Hac Anglicanæ, Ille Romanæ Fidei. Uterque tamen sobrie, sancte, honeste, (et quod Anigma est) Invicem amice,

Placide in Domino obdormivere.

Ætatum annis,

Mariti, — 77.

Uxoris, — 68.

Hac 16°. 7bris,

Ille 8°. 9bris.

Erat salutis Annus,

1640.

On another Grave, adjoyning to the former, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet Resurrectionem
expectans Philippus, silius
Johannis Thorowgood,
et Elizabethe Uxoris ejus,
quondam Henrici Neville,
Militis relicta, qui
postquam unum integrum
vixisset mensem, in
ipsissima, qua spiritum
traxit, hora, somniculosa
negligentia expiravit,
7 Januarii, An. Dni. 1632.

Sir Arnold Herbert, Knight, lyes buried under the Communion Table, his Grave covered with a Blue Stone, without any Inscription. His Lady lyes under another Gravestone, adjoyning, and thereon this Word engraved.

RESURGAM.

In a Chapel situated on the North Side of the Chancel, is on the top Stone of a raised Monument this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of
RICHARD STAVERTON, Esq;
and by him the Body of
ELIZABETH his Wife:
He dyed the 10th of June,
1617. She expired the 4th.
of February, 1632.

Directly over this Stone is crected a small Monument, in the East Wall, for the said Richard Staverton and his Wife, both kneeling before a Desk: Behind him are three Sons, and behind her are three Daughters all kneeling.

Near the Side of the aforesaid raised Monument is a Marble Grave-stone, and thereon these Verses. Under this Stone lyeth now wrapt in lead,

The Corps

of EDWARD STAVERTON, Esq; dead.

The last Heire Male of all his antient race,

whose Brothers

Daughter, now succeeds his Place,

July the 27th, that Day he dyed,

August the 12th

His Bodie here was laid.

In the Yeare One Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Nyne,

waiting to meete

Christ Thesus at his Tyme.

His love to the Poore, his good Almes doth declare.

Twice Twenty

Shillings yearely to their Share,

He freely gave, for ever to remaine.

Till that by Christ his

Body rise againe. His Father.

Mother, Brothers, Sifters, all

Their Pourtraitures are extant on the Wall. Upon a Plate of Brass are the Figures of a Woman, and 4 Sons behind her, fixed to a Grave-stone, lying in the North Chapel, with this Inscription.

Elizabeth, the Daughter of Humfrie Staverton, and five Peares the trew and faithfull wife of John Reade, Gent. was under this Stone buried the 3d of Aprill, 1587. the 25th Peare of her Age, whose berteous Lyfe did thew her Soules rest with God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, in Joy without ending.

On another Brass Plate, fixed in a Gravestone, lying at the Head of the former, are the Figures of a Woman, and behind her two Sons and nine Daughters; under them this Inscription.

Lettice, the Daughter of William Lovelace, Gentleman, and 30 Peares the trew and faithfull Wife of Humfrie Staverton, was under this Stone buried the 22th of Aprill, 1587. the 51th Peare of her Age, whose berteous Lyfe did thewher Soules ascending to God the

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with them to rest in Joy without end.

At the East End of the said Chapel lyes another Brass Plate, on a Stone bearing the Figure of a Man in a Gown; under him are the Figures of his six Daughters, and this Inscription.

Dere lyeth the Body of HUMFRY STAVERTON, the third Son of RICHARD STAVERTON, of Warfeild, Esquire, who deceased the 6 of August, 1592.

Upon another Grave-stone, adjoyning to the last, is this Inscription.

Here lyes, empeting the
Resurrection, Richard Staverton,
the 2d Son of Richard Staverton,
Esquire, who deceased the 6, and was
buried the 8th of October, 1636. and left
behind him Elizabeth
his Wife, and Elizabeth
his only Child, now the
Wife of Henry Nevile.
The Effigies, or
Pourtraiture of which, there standeth
above in the Stone on the East Wall.

This

This Stone, here mentioned, in the E t Wall, is a small Alabaster Monument, of the Pourtraiture of a Man and Woman kneeling at a Desk, and the Figures of their Daughters behind the Woman.

In the South Wall of the Chancel is a Monument, where are the Figures of a Man and Woman kneeling at a Desk; behind the Man are the Figures of eight Sons, and behind the Wife seven Daughters, with the following Inscription.

Hic jacet THOMAS WILLIAMSONUS. antiqua et nobili in Cambria, familia natus, vitæ probitate insignis, animi dotibus claruit, fuit legum omnisque Doctrina non mediocriter gnarus; in pauperes facilis, et apprime liberalis, pro conscientia bona testimonio suo semper insignivit: BRIGIDAM, NICOLAI WILLIAMSONI, Northamptonensis, unicam prolem, nobilissimis orti natalibus duxit in Uxorem, per quam liberos habuit quindecim, Mares quidem octo. faminas vero septem, Anno Ætatis sua 73. Humanæ vero salutis 1611. Augusti Die 14°. ex saculo migravit ad Dominum.

Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Cooke.

COOK-

COOKHAM Hundred.

BINFEILD,

Is a Rectory in the Deanery of Reading; Patron the Lord Chancellor; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Jenkinson.

On a long Marble lying in the great Chancel, in very antient Characters, is this Inscription.

Water de Appeford, gist yay Dieu de sa alme eit Mercy.

On another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Dic jacet Johanna Everdon, quons dam mater Rectozis istius Ecclessie, que obtit tertio bigiliarum Astumptionis Beate Marie Uirgisnis, Anno millesimo quadringenstelimo undecimo.
Cujus anime propicietur Deus.

Upon another short Marble is this Inscription. Deate pro anima Magistri Johannis Crosse, quondam Rectoris istius Ecclesie: Dui obiit 11 Die Mensis Maii, Anno 1526. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On another little Marble, under the Figure of an Infant in Swadling Clothes, is this Inscription.

Pere lyeth buried William Benson, Son of John Benson, of London, Paberdacher. On whose Soule God have Mercy.

In the faid great Chancel lyes also buried, Ano. 15 Car. 1. Sir John Catcher, sometimes an Alderman of London; and his Son and Heir, Thomas Catcher, Esq; As also Thomas Lee, of Binfeild, and Mrs. Elizabeth Pownes.

In a little Chapel, on the South Side of the Chancel, near the East End, is a fair Marble, with this Inscription.

Peze lyeth the Body of Richard Thumor, and Katherine Chis Wife, Which in this Parish sometymes lived Man and Wife, But now Death hath them ravished, their Lives past land gon, There Bodyes she here covered under this Marble Laton.

The said Richard dyeth the 26th Day of October, 1558. and the said Katherine dyed the 13th Day of Aprill, 1539. On whose Soules Ihesu have Mercy.

Over the Man's Head, (figured in a long Habit,) is this Verse.

Milerere mileratoz, quia vere lum peccatoz, Ideo precor velut reus, milerere met Deus.

Over the Woman's Head is this Verse.

Thy Percy, D God, hath ever been my vellring, Trufting thereby to enjoy Life everlatting.

Against each others Side is this.

Terram terra tegat, Demon peccata resumat, Spundus res habeat, spiritus alta petat.

In the middle of the North Ile of the Church, lyes a fair Marble, with the following Inscription on it.

ELIZABETHA, Uxor GREGORII RAN-DALL, de Interiori Templo, London, una filiarum WILLIELMI HARBORNE, de Mundham in Com. Norf. Armigeri, bic jacet, que obiit 11º Die Junii, 1631.

SUNNINGHILL,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Reading, Patrons are St. John's College in Cambridge; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Morris.

In the North Wall, on a small Black Marble Tablet, in Capitals, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet Georgius Dawson,

A. M. et hujus Ecclesia Vicarius
per 37 Annos;
Qui sua sorte contentus;
Fretus tamen spe melioris
Abiit, obiit.

A. D. MDCC.
Ætatis sua LXIIII.

Prope

Prope jacet Anna Uxor, Qua obiit 26 Nov. Anno 1711.

On a Black Marble, on the South Side of the Chancel, in Capitals, is this Infcription.

Here lyeth
interred the Body of
Mr. Robert Hancock,
who departed this Life
the 25 Day of August,
An. Dni. 1667.
Ætatis suæ 50.

Under the Font, at the West End, on the Ground, on a White Free-Stone, is this Inscription.

Hoc Baptisterium amoto veteri
positum est, Anno Dni. 1703.
John Morrice, Vic.
John Aldridge,
Nath. Deller,
Gard.

On the North Wall, on a Board, in Capitals, is this Inscription.

This Church was paved by Rich. Elliot, and Nath. Phillips, Church Wardens, An. Dni. 1706.

On

On the South Side of the Church-yard, on a Black Marble Tomb, raised on Brick, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Bodies of Mr. Edward Lane, of Coworth, and Eliz. his Wife. The said Eliz. departed this Life on the 22d Day of June, 1661. aged 33

The last Edward, on the last Day of Oct. 1714. in the 98 Rear of his Age.

COOKHAM,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Reading; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Baily.

On the South Side of the East Window, in the Chancel, is a small Monument, with the following Inscription on Black Marble.

Si dormiero dicam quando consurgam, Job 7.

D. O. M.

Jacet bic prope Johannes Farmer, de Bradley, in Cookham, Armig. è stirpe Draperorum oriundus, qui post Avitam fidem in omni fortuna egregie retentam, Con(449)

Constantemque in pauperes, etiam mille Libris sub mortem distributis, Munificentiam, corporis exuvias, transmisso in calum spiritu, posuit Ano. salutis 1657. Ætatis sua 59.

Haredem reliquit Mariam sororem unicam, nuptam Antonio Turbervile, de antiqua Turbervillorum, Cambrensium familia, qua fratri Monumentum hoc posuit amoris et grati animi pignus sempiternum.

Procedent qui bona fecerunt in resurrectionem vita, Jo. 5. ver. 29.

At the Foot of this Monument lyes a Grave-stone with this Inscription.

Hic jacet Maria, Uxor Jo. Farmer, filia Gulielmi Hall, Armigeri, insigne pietatis et conjugalis amoris exemplar

Hoc fidei et amoris in conjugem suam Monumentum posuit Jo. Farmer, de Bradley, in Cookham, An. Dni. 1654.

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On another Grave-stone, near the former, is this Inscription.

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Here

Here lyeth interred, next
MARY his Wife, JOHN FARMER,
of Bradley, in Cookham, Esquire:
and died without Issue,
Anno Dni. 1657.
of Age 59.

Blessed are those who dye in our Lord, for their Workes follow them.

Revelation 14.

Against the North Side of the Chancel is erected a large Altar Monument of Grey Marble, upon the Stone set within, against the Wall, has been Plates of Brass, bearing the Figures of a Man and a Woman, and an Inscription under their Feet, but now torn of. On the top Stone there yet remain Plates of the Figures of a Man in Armour, and a Woman in her usual Habit, under whose Feet is this Inscription.

De your Charite pray for the Soules of Robert Pecke, Esq. sumtyme Patter Clerke of the Spycery with King Harri the Sirt, and Agnes hys Wyfe. Robert decessyd the 14th Day of January, in the Yere (451)

Pere of our Lord God, a Thousand CCCCC and XVII. Whol Soules, and all Crysten Soules, Thesu have Mercy.

Out of the Man's Mouth issues this Scrowl.

Sancta Crinitas, unus Deus, mischerere nobis.

Out of his Wife's Mouth this Scrowl.

Wirgo Det digna, peccantibus esto benigna.

In the middle of the Chancel, on a Brass Plate, on a Grave-stone, is the Figure of a Priest kneeling, with this Inscription issuing out of his Mouth.

Thefu Mercy. Lady helpe.

Above the Figure are the Pictures of Christ and the Virgin Mary sitting together, and under the Priest this Inscription.

Pic jacet Dominus Arnoldus de Pinkeny, quondam Rectoz Ecclesie. Pazochialis de Tyrington, Norwic. M m m 2 (452)

Dioc qui obiit 29 Die Ment. Decemb. An. Ont. 1402. Cujus anime propicietur Beus. Amen.

On another Brass Plate, fixed in a Gravestone, placed near the Entrance into the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Of your Charite prayfor the Soule of Sir Edmunde Stocktun, Vicar of this Church, and Pylgrym of Jerusalem, Chanon Professio of the Pouse of our Lady of Gysburne, in Yorkshire.

Whose Soule Ihesu pardon.

On another Plate, in a Stone adjoyning, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of JOHN POOLE, of Maydenhead, in the County of Berks, and Parish of Cookham, Gent. who departed this Lyfe the 24th of Febr. 1638. being aged 79 Teares and 5 Moneths.

Aske how he lived and thou shalt know his end, He dy'd a Saint to God, to th' Poore a Friend, Insatiate Death, why hast thou been so cruell; Thus for to take from us our friendly Jewell. But (453)

But seeing he is gone, 'twere vaine to praise [him, Who lives with him who hath to Glory [raised him.

Upon a Grave-stone, in the Chapel on the South Side of the Chancel, under the Figure of a Woman drest in the Habit of her Times, is this Inscription.

Ozate pro anima Agnetis Mylles, nuper Uroz Willielmi Mylles, de London, quondam Uroz Willielmi Pywale, London; que Agnes obitt 24 Die Martii, A°. Ont. 1500. Cujus anime propicietur Deus. Amen.

On a Brass Plate, in a Grave-stone adjoyning to the former, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth buried the Body of GEORGE WELDON, Esquire, of this Parish, Son of WILLIAM WELDON, Esq; deceased, who did take to Wife the Daughter of WILLIAM SERGENT, Esq; of Wallridge, in Buckinghamshire, and had by her 3 Children, WILLIAM, CHRISTIAN, and ELIZABETH, and deceased this natural Lyfe, the 24th of De-

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December, in the Yeare of our Lord God, 1616. His Age 40.

Upon another Grave-stone, near the Entrance of the said Chapel, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Body of DOROTHY SIVEDALL, the loving Wife of JOHN SIVEDALL, of Cookeham, Gent. and one of the Daughters of GEORGE WELDON, of Cookeham, Equire. She departed this Lyfe the 7th of March, 1655.

The Guift of God Weldon.

At the Foot of an Alabaster Monument, erected in the South Wall of the faid Chapel, where there is the Statue of a Man in Armour kneeling, with his two Sons behind him; as also, of his Wife, with three Daughters behind her, are these Verses.

1561, 6 Aprilis:

To christall Skies let same resound, the vertous Praise aright,

Of ARTHUR BABHAM, here depicted in Alabaster bright.

Of antient Race he did descend, and thereto as you heare,

De tooke to wife a mosthy Dame, ALICE, the Daughter deare

G

A hope in Yeaven to meete with the when all Things-heve have end. Of Str John BRome, in Oxfordhire, a unight of worthy fame, for her tweete Arthur Babham's fake, though he be dead and gone; Karewell, renouned, true Clquire, my Husband, and my Kriend, ELIZABETH, and COLUBREE, URSULA and ELUNERRE. Of whome lix Children did proceede, as herein this doth Pame, JOHN, the first, deceased is, CHRISTOPHER next the Heite, Loe, this Dame Alice hath erect this work in coully Stone,

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On a Grave-stone, lying in the Body of the Church, is this Inscription.

Here resteth the Body of ANNE SIVEDALL, Relict of GEORGE SIVEDALL, Citizen and Draper of London, Daughter of THOMAS FERRERS, late of this Parish, Gent. She deceased the 24 of July, aged 69 Yeares.

On another Grave-stone, near the South Door, is this defective Inscription.

Here lye the Bodies of Edward Wood,
Garrard, of Langborne, Gent. who
leavin
of Monmouth,
interred) and Catherine (borne after his decease) yet surviving.

Under the Figure of a Man engraved in a Brass Plate, fixed to the same Stone, is this Inscription.

His

His Soule discharged from Bodies buisy thrall, Heere EDWARD WOODYORKE wait's th' [Archangells call,

Whose Piety to God devotely bent,
Whose Pitty prone to succour Impotent,
Whose honest, plaine Sincerity of Minde,
Whose native Mildness towards all Mankinde,
Whose Temper loath to give or take Offence,
Whose Gratitude as apt to recompence,
Whose Fashion gentle, and whose Dealings just,
Whose constant Friendship, and whose faith-

In Lyfe and Death made Woodyorke trebell

[deere]

To God and Man, and to his loving Pheer. Who (Turtle like, unto his Love still debtor) Intombed him here, but in her Heart far better.

Under these Verses is the Figure of a Woman cut in Brass.

In the Chapel, on the North Side of the Chancel, lyes a Grave-stone with Brass Plates, whereon are the Figures of a Man in Armour, with another Man in a short Gown, and between them a Woman in her usual Habit, and this Inscription.

Hic

Pic jacent Jacobus Lynde, Armig. et Johannes Sylvester, et Matilda, quondam Uroz eozundem. Duozum animabus propicietur Deus. Amen.

On another Marble, lying in the same Chapel, is this Inscription.

Pere lyeth the Body of Raffe Moore, Gent. who married Mary, the Daughter of John Babham, Esq; Pe purchased Whiteplace, Bullocks, and Shafris, and other Lands in Cookeham, and dyed without Pstue of her Body on the feast Day of St. James the Apostle, in the Yeare of our Lord Bod, 1577.

In the middle of the faid Stone are the Figures of Morre and his Wife, under

His Keighbours need not joy thereat, the Pooze are not content, Wy Course, and kinde of Patures Law, by League and Promise pak, All fleth is Grafs, and thall consume, and nothing long thall last. To think on Moore, to know himfelf, Decalions good may have. Whole Ayfe untinely Death bereft, his wife doth it lament; His wife, with Care, did cause his Corps to be interred here, 19tho pals this place in Peace, and well will view this Grave. So here, behold, in clods of Clay, in Grave doth here remaine, ISy Nature boine, by Schness dead, by God to live againe. To thew the Duty, and the Love, the bose unto her weere. whom are thefe Verfes.

On the North Wall of the North Ile, stands a small Monument, whereon, in Brass Plates, are the Figures of a Man in Armour, and his Wife, kneeling. Out of the Man's Mouth issues this Scrowl.

Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus.

Out of the Woman's Mouth this Scrowl.

Miserere nobis.

Above their Heads is the Figure of the Trinity as usually represented.

Under both this Inscription.

Here lyeth buried the Body of Richard Babham, Esquire, the whych deceased the 19th Day of June, in the Peare of our Lord God, 1527. On whose Soule Ihesu have Mercy. Amen.

Beneath this Monument lyes a Graveftone, whereon, in Brass, is the Figure of a Man in a short Coat, and his Wife in her Habit. Over him this Scrowl.

Thefu Mercy.

Over her Head this Scrowl.

Lady helpe.

Under their Feet is the following Infcription.

Dic jacet Johannes Babham, que obiit 4 Die Octobris, Anno Dnt.
1458. Et Muriela Uroz ejus. Duozum animabus propicietur Peus. Amen.

BARNERSH Hundred.

BISHAM, alias BUSTLESHAM,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Reading; Patron Mr. Hoby; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Loveday.

The River Tame passes by this Place, formerly an Estate belonging to the Knight Templars. It afterwards came into the Possession of the Montacutes, of which Fa-

Family the first William, Earl of Salubury, founded a Priory here 1138. for Canons Regular of St. Austin, to the Honour of our Bleffed Saviour and the Virgin Mary. At the Survey of Monasteries, 26 Hen. VIII. 1534. this Abbey was worth 285 l. 11 s. ob. per An. Dugd. 327 l. 4 s. 6 d. Speed. It was basely, and contrary to the most solemn Oaths and Engagements furrendred, 1536. to the King, who in 1537. restored it, and endowed it with the Augmentation of the Lands of the late dissolved Priories of Aukerwike, Little Marlow, and Mendham, with feveral other Revenues, to the Value of 661 l. 14 s. 9 d. per Ann. for the Maintenance of an Abbot, and 13 Monks of the Benedictine Order; but this was short liv'd, and soon fell. In this Monastery was interr'd the Founder, together with his Countess, Daughter to the Lord Grandison. Here also were buried Richard Nevil, Earl of Salisbury, with Alice his Wife, and Thomas his Son, 15 Febru-Also the Body of Edward Earl ary, 1461. of Warwick, the only Heir Male of the noble Family of Plantagenet, facrificed 28 November, 1499. on Tower-Hill, to the Ambition of Hen. VII. (who was then engaged in a Marriage Treaty with Catherine, Daughter of Ferdinand King of Spain,

Spain, for his Son Arthur, afterwards divorced from the inconstant King Henry VIII.) on a Pretence that Henry's Title had no fure Foundation till this Branch of Plantagenet was lopp'd off. Lordship and Estate came afterwards to the Hobyes, a Branch of those of Lempster in Herefordshire, who have continued here from the Reign of Queen Mary, one of whom, Sir Edward, was a very learned Man, a great Encourager of Antiquaries, particularly of Mr. Camden, who has largely expressed his Gratitude in his Commendations of him. From Peregrine Hoby, his natural Son, the Hobyes of this Place are faid to descend.

In a Chapel, built on the South Side of the Chancel, and against the South Wall thereof, is erected from the Ground a very fair raised Monument, whereon lye the Statues in full length, in White Marble, of two Knights in compleat Armour, their Heads resting upon their Helmets. Beneath the upper Ledge of this Monument is the following Inscription.

Sir Philip Hoby E married Dame Elizabeth, Daughter to Sir Walter Stoner, Knight; and after worthy Service done to his Prince and Country,

died

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died without Mue the 31 of May, 1558. being of the Age of 53 Yeares, at his House in London, and from thence was conveyed hither.

Sir Thomas Hobre married with Dame Elizabeth, Daughter to Sir Anthony Cooke, Knt. by whome be had Isue foure Children, Edward, Elizabeth, Anne, and Thomas, Posthumus, and being Embassador for Queen Elizabeth in France, died at Paris the 13th of July, 1566. of the Age of 36, leaving his Wife greate with Childe in a strange Country, who brought him honourably home, and built this Chapell, and layd him and his Brother in one Tomb together.

Vivit post funera Virtus.

On the foreside of the Monument are engraved these Verses.

Two worthy Knights, and Hoby's both by Name, Inclosed within this Marble Stone doth reft; Philip, the first, in Casars Court hath Fame, Such as, tofore few Legatts like possessed.

A deepe discovering Head, a noble Brest, A Courtier passing, and a courteous Knight, Zealous to God, whose Gospell he profest, When greatest Stormes gan dyn the sacred Light.

A happy Man, whome Death hath now re-

From Care to Joy, that cannot be esteem'd.
THOMAS in France possessed the Legats Place,
And with such Wisdom grew to guide the same;
As had encreas'd great Honour to his Race,
If suddaine Fate had not envied his Fame,
Firme in Gods Truth, gentle and faithfull

Well learned and languaged, Nature beside, Gave comely Shape, which made rufull his end, Since in his Flower in Paris Towne he died, Leaving with Child behind his wofull Wife, In Forraine Land oppress with heapes of Grief, From parte of which, when she discharged was By fall of Teares, that faithfull Wives do shed; The Corps, with Honour, brought she to this [Place,

Performing here all due unto the dead, That done, this noble Tombe she caused to make, And both these Brethren closed within the

A Memory left here for Vertues sake, In spight of Death to honour them with Fame. Thus live they dead, and we learn well thereby, That yee, and wee, and all the World must dye.

From the upper Part of this Monument, above the faid Statues, ariseth a fair Arch against the Wall, within which are the following Latin Yerses.

ELI-

ELIZABETHA НОВЖА сопјик, ad Thoмам Новжим, Equitem Maritum.

O dulcis conjux, anima pars maxima nostra, Cujus erat vita, vita medulla mea.

Cur ita conjunctos divellunt invida fata?
Cur ego sum viduo sola relicta thoro?

Anglia falices, falices Gallia vidit,

Per mare, per terras noster abivit amor, Par fortunatum fuimus dum viximus unà,

Corpus erat duplex, spiritus unus erat. Sed nihil in terris durat charissime conjux, Tu mihi, tu testis slebilis esse potes.

Dum patriæ servis, dum publica commoda [tractus.

Occidis, ignota triste cadaver humo. Et miseri nati slammis febrilibus ardent.

Quid facerem tantis, heu mihi mersamalis!

Infalix conjux, infalix mater oberro,

Te vir adempte fleo, vos mea membra fleo. Exeo funestis terris, hic rapta cadaver

Conjugis, hinc prolislanguidamembratraho. Sic uterum gestans, redeo terraque Marique

In patriam luctu perdita, mortis amans. Chare mihi conjux, et præstantissime Thoma,

Cujus erat rectum, et nobile quicquid erat. Elizabetha, tibi quondam gratissima sponsa,

Hac lacrymis refert verba referta piis. Non potui prohibere mori, sed mortua membra, Quo potero, faciam semper honore coli.

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Te Deus, aut similem Thomæ mibi redde ma-[ritum, Aut reddant Thomæ me mea fat a viro.

ELIZABETHA НОВЖА, soror ad PHILIPPUM НОВЖИМ, Equitem fratrem.

Tuque tuæ stirpis non gloria parva Philippe, Cujus erat virtus maxima nota foris. Itala quem tellus norat, Germania norat,

Qui patria tulerus commoda magna tua, Tuque meo Thoma frater dignissime fratre, Mens quibus una fuit, sensus et unus erat. Tu michi, tu Thomam volvissi jungere fra-

Tu michi, tu Thomam voluisti jungere fra-

Judicioque tuo sum tibi facta soror.
Sic ego conjugium, sic omnem debeo prolem,
Cuncta mibi dederas, bac tribuendo duo.

Reddere quid possum, suspiria vana recusas, Prateritoque malo sera querela venit.

Falices anima cali vos regia capit,

Mortua nunc capiet corpora funus idem. Et soror et conjux vobis commune sepulchrum,

Et michi composui, cum mea fata ferent. Quod licuit feci, vellem michi plura licere, Sed tamen officiis quaso faveto piis.

Jamque vale conjunx, semper mea maxima

Tuque Philippe, michi cura secunda, vale. Non ero vobiscum, donec mea fata vocabunt, Tunc cineres vestros consociabo meis.

Sico

Sic, ô sic junctos melius nos busta tenebunt, Quem mea me solum tristia tecta tenent.

Westward of the former Monument is another stately one also erected, against the South Wall, and senced with Iron Spikes. In the middle is a large Arch raised upon four Pillars, under which is kneeling a Statue of the forementioned Lady Elizabeth, Wisow to Sir Thomas Hoby, (afterwards married to John, Lord Russell, second Son to Francis, Earl of Bedford) is placed, having a Viscountes's Coronet on her Head. On the Cushion whereon she kneels, is laid before her the Figure of a young Infant, and behind her kneel her three Daughters.

Westward (but without the Arch) are the Statues of two Men in Armour like-

wife kneeling.

Eastward (and without the Arch also) is the Statue of a Lady wearing a Robe lined with Ermin, and the Coronet belonging to a Viscountess on her Head.

On a Black Marble Tablet, placed near the Foot of the aforesaid Monument, is this Inscription. Μὴ ΔΑΚΡΥΣΙΝ ΚΟΣΜΕΙ, Μὴ ΚΛΑΥΘΜΑΣΙΝ ΈΝΤΑ ΦΙΑΣΜΟΝ ΠΟΙΕΙ ΕΙΜΙ ΕΑΡΖΏΣΑ ΔΙ ΑΣΤΡΑ ΘΕΩ.

On another like Marble Grave-stone, Gding the former, is this Inscription.

Nemo me lacrimis decoret, neque funera fletu faxit cur? vado per astra Deo.

Upon a Grave-stone lying before Sir Th. and Phil. Hoby's Monument, is this following Inscription.

ELIZABETHE HOBEE, Matris, in obitum duarum filiarum ELIZABETHE, et Anne, Epicedium.

Elizabetha jacet, (eheu mea viscera) fato
Vix dum maturo, vigo tenella jaces.
Chara michi quondam vixisti filia matri,
Chara Deo posthac filia vive patri,
Mors tva crudelis, multo crudelius illud,
Quod cecidit tecum junior Anna soror.
Anna

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Anna patris matrisque decus, post fata sororis,
Post matris luctus, aurea virgo jaces!
Una parens, pater unus erat, mors una duabus,
Et lapis hic unus corpora bina tegit.
Sic volui mater tumulo sociarier uno, A
Una quas utero lata gemensque tuli.

Ista dua generosa, optimaque spei sorores, eodem Anno, viz. 1570. Eodemque Mense, viz. Februario, paucorum dierum spatio intersecto, in Domino obdormiverunt.

On the North Side of the aforesaid Chapel is erected a fair square Pyramid, supported by four Swans. At the top is set a flaming Heart, and on the middle of the Base of the Pyramid, on the South Side, is the following Inscription.

Memoria et Honori

Margareta Hobela, Henrici
Baronis Hunsdonia, Serenissima Regina Elizabetha Consobrini, filia Maria, sororis Anna BoLenia, Regina Anglia, neptis Thoma Bolonii, Comitis Wiltonia, proneptis Margareta, filia Thoma,
Comitis Ormondia, Abneptis, Regina
Elizabetha, a sanctiori cubiculo Fa-

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mina integra fama, literarum studiosa, pietatis eximia, ac pudicitia singularis, Uxoris optima et obsequentissima.

EDWARDUS HOBEIUS, Eques Auratus, mæstissimus Maritus cum luctu et lacrimis, hoc amoris et concordiæ conjugalis Monumentum positit.

Nata ultimo Novembris, 1564. nupta 21 Maii, 1582. mortua ANAS eodem die Mensis, quo nata.

On the North Side of the Pyramid is this Inscription.

Here lyeth MARGARET, late Wife of Sir Edward Hoby, Knight, Daughter to Henry, Lord Hunsdon, of the Privy Countell to the glorious Queene Elizabeth, and neere of her Blood. Her Lyfe to others preached Vertues and Religion. Never Mother, and the best Wife.

To her Memory he erecteth this Monument, that to himselfe wisheth the like Christian Dissolution.

She was borne the 30th of Novemb. 1564. married 21 May, 1582. and dyed the same Day of the Moneth on which she was borne, 1605.

On

On the West Side of the Pyramid,

SILENTIUM.

On the East Side,

FUIMUS.

At the Entrance within the Chancel, on a Brass Plate fixed to a Grave-stone, are the Figures of a Man in the Habit of his Times, lying between his two Wives.

Over the Woman's Head on his right Hand,

Misericordiam.

Over the Man's Head,

Impetramus.

Over the Woman's Head on his left Hand,

Non Justiciam.

Over all is this.

Ut rosa mane viget, tamen et mox vespère languet, Sie modo qui fuimus, pulvis et umbra summs. P p p Below Below the Figures is this.

Here lyeth the Bodies of John Brinchhurst, sometyme Citizen and Mercer of London, and Merchant-Adventurer, with Elizabeth Blundell, and Jane Woodford, his two Wives: The said John deceased thethe said Elizabeth deceased the 22th of June, Ao. 1581. and the said Jane deceased the

Upon another Grave-stone, in the Body of the Church, are the Figures of a Man and Woman. Out of the Woman's Mouth proceeds this Scrowl.

Parce peccatis nouris, Domine.

Under them is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Christover Gray, and Willmott his Wife; which Christover deceased the 11th Way of June, in the Pere of our Lozd God, 1525. and the said Willmott deceased the 5th Way of Sept. the Peare of our Lozd God, 1525.

On whose Soules Ihesu have Mercy. Amen.

Beneath this Inscription are the Figures of five Sons speaking this.

Omnes electi Dei noftri.

The Eigures of five Daughters speaking this.

Memoramini ante Deum.

On another Grave-stone, whereon are the Figures of a Man and Woman, over whose Head are the Coat of Arms belonging to the Fishmongers Company of London, and this Inscription.

Pray for the Soules of Thomas Trekett, sometyme frommonger of London, and Annes his Wyfe; the which Thomas decelly the 25 Day of July, the Pere of our Lord, 1517. On whose Soules Ihelu have Mercy.

Under the Inscription are the Figures of their Daughters.

In the East Window of the Chancel are the King's Arms within a Garter, and the King of Denmark's with his Quarterings; under which is this Motto.

La mia grandeza dal eccelfo.

On a Tablet placed on the Wall, on the North Side of the East Window, is this Inscription.

Anne, the Daughter of David Progers, Gent. She departed this mortall Lyfe, the 7th of July, Ano. 1648.

HURLET,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Reading, lying on the Banks of the River Tame; Patron Robert Gayer, Esq; Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. Ashford. It is famous for having been the Seat and Lordship of the noble Family of Lovelace. Here was a Cell of Benedictine Monks, dedicated to St. Mary, and given to the Abbey of Westminster, by Jeffrey de Magna Villa, or Mandevil, in the Reign of Westminster which was valued 26 Here VIII. 121 l. 18 s. 5 d. Dugd. and

and 134 l. 10 s. 8 d. ob. Speed. Sir Richard Lovelace, (Son of Richard Lovelace, of this Place, Efq;) who diftinguished himself in the War against Spain under Queen Elizabeth, was by Letters Patents bearing date 21 May, 1627. by King Charles I. advanced to the Honour of a Baron of England, by the Title of Lord Lovelace of Hurley. He married for his first Wife, Catherine, Daughter of George Hill (Widow of William Hide, of Kingstone Liste, in this County, Esq;) but by her had no Issue. His second Wife was Margaret, fole Daughter and Heir of William Dodsworth, Citizen of London, by whom he had Issue two Sons, John, and Francis; and two Daughters, Elizabeth married to Henry Martin, of Longworth, Esq; Son and Heir of Sir Henry Martin, Kt. Judge of the Court of Admiralty; and Margaret to Sir George Stonebouse. of Radley, Bar. both of this County, and died 22 Aprill, 1634. To Sir Richard fucceeded his Son John, who married Anne, Daughter of Thomas, Earl of Cleveland, by whom he had one Son, Juhn, and then dying at Woodstock, in Oxfordshire, 25 September, 1670. was buried here. He also left three Daughters, Anne who died unmarried, Margaret married to Sir William Noel, of Kirkby Marlow,

Marlow, in Leicestershire, Bart. and Dorothy to Henry Drax, a Merchant in Barbadoes, Son to Sir James Drax, Kt. To John succeeded another of the same Name. an active Zealot against King James II. and very instrumental in the Revolution. 1688. a Prodigal of his large paternal Estate, which he much wasted, and was A vita Virtutis degener hares. This Lord married one of the Daughters and Co-Heirs of Sir Edmund Pye, of Bradenham, in Bucking hamshire, Bart. by whom he had Issue one Son, John, who died an Infant; and three Daughters, Anne, Martha, and Catharine. This Estate was. to pay off the Debts contracted by the late Possessor, decreed by the High Court of Chancery to be fold, and was purchased by Vincent Okeley, Esq; for himfelf and Clients, for the Sum of Forty One Thousand Pounds, to the great detriment of the Barony.

Against the North Wall of the Chancel is a Monument of Free-stone, in the middle of which is this Inscription.

LOVELACE, thy Rame layes downe a lasting [love,

Thy Title, Worthip, Justice, and Esquire, Thy wedded GRACE gives Graces from above, Her Father SAMPSON, Mertues to aspire.

Boyne

30 yne thyne and hers, the difference is not odd, GRACE only Grace, and JOHN the Grace of

Blessing the Pooze moze blessed than diose thrive, Six Sons, two Daughters, blessed was thy Bed; Thy Lyse in Christ, then blessed thou alive, Thy Death in Christ, and blessed art thou dead; Blessed by Pame, by Title, and by Wife, By Father, Children, Pooze, by Death and Lyse.

On a Ledge, near the Foot of the Monument, is this Inscription.

Johannes Lovelace, Armiger, moztem, obtit 25 Augusti, 1558. et Uroz ejus, obitt 12° Novembris, An°. 1579.

On the right Side of the Monument is the Statue of a Man kneeling, habited in the Fashion of his Times, with this Inscription over him.

RICHARD LOVELACE, Son of John LOVELACE, Esq; lived verteously, and departed this Lyfe the 12th Day of March, An. Dni. 1601.

On the left Side is another Statue in Armour, likewise kneeling; over his Head is this Inscription.

Upon a Brass Flate, fixed to a Gravestone lying in the Body of the Church, is the Figure of a Man in Armour, under whose Head lyes this Crest on a Wreath a Hound's Head coop'd coler'd, and under his Feet these following Verses.

Per celebrem Doyly, tenet hic locus ecce Joannem, Cheu quem petts hinc in omnia tulit. Dum sibi vita comes fuit hic preclatus et annis Sanguineque et virtus claruit ampla viro. Tecumigitur prece Christe Ihelufac vivat in evum, Armiger iste sibi celica dona petens.

Dbitt iiii Jous Februarii, An. Dnt. 1492.

REMENHAM.

Lord of this Manor Mr..... Whitlock, Son of the late Sir William Whitlock, by a late Purchase from the Family of the Lord Lovelace. Patrons Jesus College in Oxford. The present Rector Dr. Francis Carswell. In a North Window of the Church, Bendy of 10, Or, and Az.

In the Chancel, in an Arch of the North Wall, upon Brass Plates fixed in a plain Stone, is the Pourtraiture of a Man in Armour; under him this Inscription.

> Here lyeth the Bodye of Thomas Maryet, of Remneham, in the Countie of Berks, Esquire, who dyed the 22 of December, Anno Dni. 1591.

Over him these Arms, Barry of 6, (Or,

and Sa.) in chief a Mullet.

The Crest a Talbot, Sa. standing upon a bundle of Cord lapped up and coloured, Or.

On a Brass Plate, upon a flat Gravestone, is the Pourtraiture of an old Man in a Gown, and this Inscription.

In obitum Viri, clarissimi Johannis Newman, hujus Ecclesia quondam Pastoris.

Q q q

Qui

Qui populum vera pavit pietate sepultus Hic jacet, et cineres urnula parva tenet. Corpus humo clausum est, animam Deus ipse recepit, Fælicem æternis vivere cælicolis.

> Obiit, An. Dni. 1622. Mensis Junii 24. An. Ætat. suæ 60.

Engraved upon another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Under the adjacent Tomb is interred the Body of Mrs. Susan Marlow, Relist of Mr. Clement Marlow, and Daughter of Mr. John Newman, late Rector of this Parish. She departed this Life the 20th Day of Aprill, 1676. in hope of a joyfull Resurrection.

On another Grave-stone is this Inscription.

Hic in Domino obdormivit, Gulielmus Owen, humillimus Evangelii Christi Minister, qui Die 16 Mensis 4ti. An. Dni. 1660. Ætatis suæ 48. obdormivit. Nec non Gulielmus, filius ejus trium Mensium infantulus, qui obiit 10 Die 7mi Mensis, Anno, 1654. denatus est.

Languescit dum tabe parens, puer occupat

Aptante è cunis morte feretra suis.
Insequitur natum pater, et miscentur in urna.
Pulveribus cineres, ossibus ossa simul.
Spe, Dominei redux quoad ipse resurgere
[Christus,

Jusserit inque adytis conglomerare suis.

On an Atchievement in the Chancel, Or, 4 Bends, G. a Mullet Sa. dif. on a chief Party per Fesse, Ar. and Erm. 3 Fleur de lis, in chief, Sa. empaling Party per Chevron, engrailed Ar. and G. 3 Talbots Heads erased, counterchanged.

The Crest a Stag's Head, G. armed, Or, on a Color, Ar. 3 Fleur de Lis, Sa.

On a Lozenge, Az. 3 Demy Lions couped, Ar. a Bezant in the Center. (I believe the Field should be G. and then it is Bennet's Coat.)

In the Body of the Church, at the bottom of the North Window, is this painted on the Glass.

Magister Willielmus Pastod, Rector Ecclesiae me fecit. At the East End of the Chancel, in the Church-yard, is this following Inscription engraved on a Stone.

Hic jacent
Vir pius et doctus Adrian ClutterBOOKE, Gen. Ætatis suæ 59. Necnon charissima conjux sua Elizabetha,
filia charissimi Viri Rolandi BeresFORD, Armigeri, una cum pignore...
RICARDO, SARA, ELIZABETH...
MARGARETA, qui peste
omnes cor...
pie et placide in Dom. obdormiverunt,
Mense Augusto, 1625.

Memoria sua.

Here sleepes their blessed Bodies in one Bed, Whose Soules by Angels right to Heaven are sled, All in ten Daies, for why should they stay here? Where brutish Men, nor God nor Man do love nor seare.

SHOTTES BROOKE,

Called Sotesbroc in Domesday Book; Suttesbrooke in the old Valor Beneficiorum, (added to this Work) is a small Village, noted for the Habitation of two great and good Men, Mr. Cherry and Mr. Dodwell, who

who both lived and died here. In it formerly was a College, and a Chantry for one Warden, five Priefts or Chaplains (or if the Revenue would bear it, five more were to be added, but ten never to be exceeded) and two Clerks, founded by Sir William Trussell, of Cublesdon, in Staffordshire (not Sir John, as Mr. Ashmole, fays a little lower) Kt. in 1387. which was dedicated to St. John Baptist, and appropriated by Apostolical Bulls to this Church. It was amply endowed, but reduced very low by Fire, and other Accidents, infomuch that it was deferted by all but Mr. John Bradford, the Warden. Upon this King Edward III. gave a Royal Licence to impropriate the Church of Battlesden, in this County, to it, which was actually done in 1380. and other Benefactions were added to this: It continued in a flourishing Condition to the Dissolution, and was valued at 33 1. 18 s. 8 d. Burton, Dugd. &c.

This Estate, and Manor, on the Demise of Mr. Cherry, was sold by his Wife and three Daughters, to Mr. Vansitart, a Merchant of London, for Twenty One Thousand Pounds. For a full and ample Character of Mr. Cherry, I refer my Reader to the Presace to Leland's Collections, published by Mr. Hearne, who

who has in Pag. 39, and 40, done Juflice to his Friend, and greatest Benefactor, in a very elegant and concise manner.

This Church is built in the Form of a Crofs, probably in allusion to the Arms of Sir William Truffel, the supposed Foun-But I shall not enlarge farther upon what is so well already performed in Mr. Hearne's Account of some Antiquities between Windsor and Oxford, pag. 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, and 114. but only observe, that on the South Side of the Church-yard, lyes an old Stone, raifed upon Bricks above the Surface of the Earth, which is faid to have been over the Grave of the Architect of the Spire of this Church, in temp. Edw. III. who, we are told by Tradition of the Inhabitants here, after having laid the last Stone, or fixed the Weather-Cock, called for fome Liquor to drink the King's Health, which when he had drank, he accidently fell down, was dashed in pieces, and interred under this Stone.

Incumbent of this Church the Reverend Mr. Edmund Staples; Patron Mr. Van-

fittart.

Against the North Wall of the Chancel is a little raised Monument, on the top of which lyes the Figure, in Alabaster, ster, of a Priest in his Habit, and in the middle this Inscription.

Pere lyeth William Throcmorton, Priest, Doctor of Law, late Barden of this Church, which decessy the 12th of January, An. Domini,

On whois Soule Ihefu have Mercy. Amen.

Erpedo et nitivum redivide carnis amidum, Et tandem ercelst regna beata poli.

Against the North Wall of the North Cross is erected a Stone Monument for Sir John Truffell, and Maud his Wife, Daughter to Sir William Butler, Lord of Wemme, who were Founder and Foundress of this Church. He lyes wrapped up in Lead, and she in Leather at his Feet. On the top of the Monument are three Escotcheons cut in the Stone Work, but Arms painted thereon Time hath worn out, and of late, the Arms of Richard Powle, sometime Register of the Chancery, and of Anne Chester his Wife, are painted on the first of these Escotcheons'; and on the second the Arms of Henry Powle, and Katherine

therine Herbert his Wife; under the first, the Year, 1583. under the second, 1628.

On the West Wall of the North Cross is a Monument erected bearing this Inscription.

Hac tabula sacra esto.
Memoria

Ornatissima Famina, Domina ElizabeTHE Morgan, filia Gulielmi
Morgan, è Comitatu Monmouth,
Militis; qua per sex Annos sacro connubii fadere Sociuta fuit Gulielmo
Morgan, è Comitatu Brecon, Armigero, et mortalitatis sua exuvias depojuit 28 Junii, 1638.

Haud mentiar poeta vanus, rigido
Nec fas erit marmori adulari, hic jacet
Sexus sui speculum, pietatis et
Modestia exemplar, decus conjugii,
solamen agri, et pauperis sacra anchora,
quam fecit ortus nobilem, et mores bonam,
Ethicis bene imbuta, et Oeconomicis,
gnara domi imperare et parere simul,
Mori non merita, meruisset nist
Calum, et sedem, animas qua manet
tam pias.

On the Verge of a fair Marble Gravestone, in Brass, is the Figure of a Lady in the Habit of her Times, with this Inscription.

Icy gist Dame Margaret, qui fuist le temme Monsir F. Pennbrigg, Chebalier priez pur luy a dieu quil de salme est pitse, et Mercy. Amen.

On a Stone, lying in the North Cross, is the following Inscription.

Here lyeth Anne, first Wife of Ri-CHARD POWLE, Lord of the Manor of Shottesbrooke, she departed this Lyfe 23 of August, 1603.

Upon a fair Marble Stone, adjoyning to the former, is this Inscription.

Hic jacet Richardus Powle, Armiger, quondam Registarius Cancellaria, qui obiit 8 Augusti, 1628.

Whose Lyfe was short, yet liveth ever, Gave Death his due, yet dieth never.

On another fair Marble is the Figure of a Man in Armour, and at his Feet is this Inscription.

Dere lyeth the Body of Richard Gill, Esquire, late Sergeant of the Backhouse to King Henry the 7th, and also with King Henry the 8th, and Baily of the Seaven Bundreds of Cookeham and Bray, in the Fozest Division: the which Richard deceased the 7th Day of August, 1511.

At the Feet of the former is a Marble Grave-stone, whereon, on Brass Plates, are the Figures of an old Man in a Gown; on the right Hand is his first Wise, and on his left Hand, those of his second and third, and under his Feet this Epitaph.

Pere lyeth buried Thomas Noke, who for his great Age and vertuints Lyfe, was reverenced of all Men, and commonly called father Noke, created Esquire by King Henry the Eight. He was of Stature high and coming; and for his Excellency in Artilery made

made Peoman of the Crowne of England; which had in his Lyfe three Wives, and by every of them some fruit and Off-spring, and deceased the 21 of Aug. 1567. in the Peare of his Age 87, leaving behind him Julyan his last wife, two of his Brethren, one Sister, one only Son, and two Daughters living.

Under this Epitaph are Figures, first of 3 Daughters and one Son; next of 3 Sons and 2 Daughters; and lastly of one Daughter.

On another Plate, near the lower End of the same Grave-stone, is the following Inscription.

Epitaphium Domine Elizabethæ Hobbiæ in moztem Thomæ Noke.

D multum dilecte sener, pater atque bocatus, Alel quia grandebus, vel quia probus eras. Annos viristi novies decem, atque satelles Fidus eras Regum, sidus erasque tuis. Jam fatis funcus valeas, sed tu Deus alme Sic mihi concedas vivere, sicque mori. On a handsome Monument fixed on the Wall is this Inscription, composed by the learned Robert Friend, D. D. Prebendary of Westminster, Master of the King's School there, and Rector of Witney in Oxfordshire.

Accede Hospes quicunque Literarum Studia vel Humanarum vel Divinarum sapis.

Disce marmor hoc quem signet virum,

Hic ille sua condi Ossa voluit

Cui inter vivos frustra quasiveris parem,

HENRICUS DODWELLUS.

In quo conjuncta erant

Cum memoria rerum prope infinita

Et Inventionis Facunditas,

Et Judicii Acumen,

Cum mirifico quodam pudore;

Animi Firmitas inconcussa.

Cum aliqua in disputando vehementia Candor eximius.

Quod, difficillimis in Chronologica nodis, Fæliciter expeditis,

Novam Antiquæ Historiæ Lucem assiderit; Eam illi laudem ultra omnes Quasi suam et propriam tribuunt, Sed & hanc etiam cum paucis communem habuit,

Quod toties in Arena Critica Sine Fastu et Maledicentià certaverit : Ownemque quaqua patet, Eruditionis ambitum Ca(493)

Capaci mente comprehenderit; Islius interim

Quam aucupari solent Eruditorum Coryphai, Gloriola Contemptor,

ad majora scilicet intentus.

Primava in Ecclesia Disciplina vindex Audire maluit.

Quam Reipublica Literaria Lumen.
Vetera itaque Patrum Christianorum Monumenta
Indefessus perlustravit;

Et quorum scripta animo accurate infixerat Eorum severitatem et Sanctimoniam In vità accuratius expressit.

* E.Collegio S.S. Trinitatis prope Dubliniam Doctorum suffragin accersitus,
Oxonium migravit,

† Ubi Camdeniani Prælectoris munus Multa cum laude, quoad potuit, sustinuit: Inde cum recessisset, In Ædibus Shortesbrochianis

amicissimi Viri | Hospitio usus
Inter Libros delituit, consenuit, obiit,

^{*} See the Review of Leland's Itinerary published by Mr. Tho. Hearne, M. A. of Edmund Hall, in Oxford, Vol. 9. pag. 192. where are mentioned the following defirable Alterations, viz.

^{*} E. secessu suo Asaphensi doctorum.

[†] Ubi Pralectoris Camdeniani multa cum laude, quoad falva conscientia licuit, munus sustinuit. Potius legi voluit amicus ejus integerrimus.

Mr. CHERRY.

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Juris Regii et Episcopalis ad extremum usque spiritum Propugnator Animam, Eruditam, Simplicem, Piam, Deo reddidit, Jun. 7. A. D. 1711. Ætat.70. Conjugi optimo ANNA DODWELLA. M. P.

On a Grave-stone, in the same Chancel, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth

the learned and pious

HENRY DODWELL, M. A.

Sometime Fellow

of Trinity College near Dublin,

Camden Professor of History in Oxon,

Born at Dublin Oct. MDCXLI,

died at Shottesbrooke

the VII. of June, MDCCXI.

Anno Ætat. LXX.

In the Church-yard is a plain Black Marble, supported by a Brick Work of two or three Foot high, erected for Mr. Francis Cherry, a Gentleman justly celebrated for his Humility, Sobriety, Piety, Charity, Hospitality, and Integrity; of which, and many other Things, see Mr. Brokesby's Character of him in the Life of Mr. Dodwell, in 2 Vols. in 8vo. Lond. 1715. pag. 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, and 306. HIC

PECCATORUM MAXIMUS.

OBIIT, ANNO DOM. MDCCXIII.

Septemb. 33. Anno Etatis XLVIII.

WHITE WALTHAM,

Is a Vicaridge in the Deanery of Reading, which formerly contained within its Bounds Shottesbroke, now separated from it. Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. John Griffith, M. A.

On a large Marble Stone, near the Entrance into the Chancel, is this circumscribed.

Vous qui par icy passaz pour l'alme de Gilbert Saddoc la Witha Waltham, priez, vynt jours de pardoun aurez.

On another large Marble, lying North and South in the middle of the faid Chancel, is the following Epitaph circumscribed.

Gilbert Saddoc, gist icy Dieu des Almes eit Mercy.

On a Brass Plate, fixed to a Grave-stone, under the Figure of a Woman, laid near the North Side of the Chancel, is this Inscription.

Deate pro anima Johanne Decons, nuper Aroxis Ricardi Decons, Armigeri, et filie et heredis Thome Beauchamp, Armigeri; que obiit 30 Die Augusti, Anno Dni.
M. quingentelimo lepto.

On another Plate, under the Figure of a Woman, is this Inscription, near adjoyning to the former.

Die jacet Margareta, quondam Uroz Johannis Hille, que obitt 12 Die Ment. Julii, Anno Ont. Apillo CCCCXLV.

Cujus anime propicietur Deus.

At the Head of this Stone,

bedie hie Ihear Mercy.

Also at the bottom.

Lady helpe.

On the West Wall of a Chapel, on the South Side of the Chancel, on a White Marble Tablet, is this Inscription.

Gulielmus Neile, Pauli Neile, Equitis Aurati natu max. Filius Richardi Neile, Archiepiscopi Ebor. nepos, Academia, Oxon. Alumnus, Societatis Philosophorum Regia Socius, Serenissimo Carolo II. a camera privata; suavitate morum et temperantia plusquam Juvenili spectabilis, Geometria studiisque Philosophicis totus incubuit, et perspicacissimi ingenii varia dedit specimina, donec ingentibus captis amicisque lugentibus immatura morte valedixit, prareptus VIII°. Calend. Octob. A°. MDCLXX. Piisimo filio pater marens P.

On a Black Marble Grave-stone, underneath, is this Inscription.

Here lyeth interred the Body of William Neile, Esq; eldest Sonne of Sir Paule Neile, Kt. and Grandchild to Richard Neile, late Arch-Bishop of Yorke. He was borne at Bishops-Thorpe, in the County of Yorke, the 7th Day of December, 1637. and dyed S f s

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in this Parish of White Waltham, the 24th Day of August, 1670.

Mr. Hearne, in his 120th Page of his Account of some Antiquities between Windsor and Oxford, added to the 5th Vol. of Leland's Itinerary, gives a fair Character of this religious and learned Gen-A small Distance Southward tleman. from this Church, is a Seat called the Hill House, which belonged formerly to the Family of Windfors, and was called Waltham Place, but was mostly rebuilt about 1634. by Mr. Roger Gardiner, Gent. and Citizen of London. Of the Bounds of this Parish, a fuller Account cannot be given, than has been already printed by the aforesaid Mr. Hearne, in pag. 115, 116, and 117. of his aforementioned Journey; which being very rare, and but in few Hands, I shall, begging his Pardon, infert his own Words.

'After a good Number of Parishioners have been call'd together by the toling

of the biggest Bell (which was also the

' antient Custom of gathering the Parishi-' eners together in all Parts of England

' upon such solemn Occasions) they begin

' their Perambulation in White Waltham

Street, at the End of the Smith's Shop,

where there is a Ditch that is dug be-

s tween Shottesbrooke and White Waltham, Being directed by this Ditch they pass on, and taking in Part of a large Field, call'd Waltham Field, they enter into a " Close commonly known by the Name of ' Terresh, which belong'd formerly to the · College of Shottesbrooke. Having taken in Part of the faid Close, they make a " Cross hard by Terresh Garden, where were once great Buildings, as appear'd by large Quantities of Ruins and Rubbish (that feem'd to be very antient) when 'twas first plough'd up, which was done within the memory of Man. Thence they go into a Common Field call'd Watash, and take in most part of that from · Shottesbrooke. Afterwards they go into another Common Field call'd Westlowe, and leaving the greatest part to Shottesbrooke, they pass on by the Ditch-side, and take in all the feveral Closes of Land which belong'd lately to Richard Grove of the Lane. Then they go into a Close belonging to the Farm call'd Pidgeon ' Holes, where there is a Room (at least 'tis reported to be) in the Parish of White Waltham. After that they take ' in a Close of about 20 Acres on the other ' Side of the Lane, where some Years a-' go there were Houses, and is known by the Name of Eyllbudds. Then paffing Sff2

up the Lane to a Cross (in the Ground) between Hurley and White Waltham. they go on thence through feveral between Hurley and White Grounds Waltham, and take in a small Village call'd Little Wick, where they cut a Cross on one side of a large Beech Tree, on the other fide of which Tree the Parishioners of Hurley cut another Cross. 'Thence they go through an old Chalk Pit to another great Beech Tree, where they likewise make a Cross close by the ' High Road that leads to Reading. Then they go along by the High Way fide, taking in part of it, to Woolley-Green, where they make a Cross (in the Ground) between Bisham, Cookham, and White Waltham. Thence they go, turning to the right Hand, to a Chalk Pit, by which they make another Cross (in the Ground) between Cookham, Bray, and White Waltham, and fo they pass ' through an Entry belonging to an antient House call'd the White House, which now belongs to Richard Baffett, and fome Years ago was part of the Possessions of the old Family of the Westcotts. Leaving one End of the faid House to Bray, after they have taken a Refreshment here, (as the Parishioners of Bray bikewife use to do) they go thence along

by the Ditch fide through several Grounds between Bray and White Waltham, Till they come to the Lane House, where they take another Refreshment. Then they pass on to a Close belonging to Lantoons Farm. At this Farm they stop and take another Refreshment, and so going thwart Low Brook Lane they enter one of Heywood Grounds call'd Walnut Tree Plot. Being enter'd that Close they pass on Southwards all along the Grounds belonging to Heywood, 'till they come to the Mote by Heywood House, at which House they put in and use to have at noble Treat. Then going through the other Grounds belonging to the faid House between Bray and White Waltham, they pass into a Wood or Coppies call'd White Paddock, and fo keep on Southward near Payley Street, where at a House call'd Triggs they have a Refreshment. Then they return and keep on Southward 'till they come into the Common High Way leading to Windfor, and there upon an Elm Tree they make a Cross between Bray and White Walthant. Thence they turn Westward down the faid High Way 'till they come to Shipcott Lane. Here they fteer Southward and pass up the said Lane, leaving Waltham Hills on the left Hand in Bray Parish, 'till

'till they come to a Cross which is cut in the Ground at the faid Lanes End, and divides Bray from White Waltham. 'Then they turn Eastward, and taking in a small Cottage with an Orchard, they pass on to Tutchin Lane End, where they make a Cross on an Elm Tree, which F Tree was planted by Sir Edmund Sawyer, f. Kr. about Threescore Years ago, before as which Time there stood in the same dPlace a prodigious great hollow Oak scall'd Fair Oak. Then they turn South-A ward and pass on by Bray Wood side 'till they come near the great Pond, where is a very large Stone (that is fix'd deep in the Ground) call'd Red Stone. Lea-' ving this Stone, which is a Bound or Mark between Bray and White Waltham, they turn Westward, and taking in a small Cottage and Back-side, they carry on their Journey by the Hedge-side 'till they come quite to the bottom of Jealous ' Hill, where they make a Cross (in the Ground) between Bray and White Waltham. Then they ascend the said Hill, and paffing on it South East, 'till they are got about half way, they make another Gross (in the Ground) between Warfield and White Waltham. Then they turn Westward by a crooked Gutter side near Hazell Wood; and go on 'till they come near (503)

near Westlowe Mills. Here they turn Northward, and travel on to the Corner of a Wood, where there formerly stood a Maple Tree. At this Place they make a Cross (in the Ground) between Binfield and White Waltham. Keeping on Northward by the Ditch fide near Cockshott Bridge, they pass through a Wood call'd Halwicke's Wood, 'till they come near Brick Bridge. Then they turn Westward, and taking in a small Wood or Coppice, that was taken out of the Common, they pass on 'till they come into Beenham's Heath, where they go near an old Ditch, or rather a Bulwark, and do not ftop 'till they come near Beenham's, where there was formerly a Church, as it appears from the old Valor Beneficiorum, tho' it has been destroy'd several Years. Here they make a great Cross in the Ground as a Boundary between them and Laurence Wal-Thence they turn Northward tham. through the midst of a Wood, and coming near Pundall's Farm, they turn East-' ward into Smewin's Grounds, and take a Refreshment at Smewin's House, a Place that is moted round, and was formerly (as 'tis reported) one of the Country Houses of Prince Arthur, King Henry the Seventh's eldest Son. Here without 'the

the Gate is a Cross (in the Common) between White Waltham and Shottesbrooke. Then they turn again, and taking in most part of Smewin's Grounds, they carry on their Journey 'till they come into Shottesbrooke Marsh, where they end

their Perambulation.

Altho' during the Time Dr. Carfwell was Vicar of Bray, the Increachments upon the Parish of White Waltham were more confiderable and grievous than they had ever been before, yet the Differenees between each Parish upon account of the true Bounds had been carry'd ve-' ry high in former Times, particularly in ' the Reign of King Edward the First, when the Matter was firielly examin'd by proper Persons delegated and sworn for that purpose, and the Issue of the Inquiry was recorded, and is now extant amongst other old Evidences in the Tower of London. It appears from thence that this Controversy was decided in the Year MCCCXL. being the 14th Year of that King's Reign; and that one Caufe of the Inquiry was the King's Sequestration of some of the Tithes that be-Iong'd to the Parish of Bray. One of the Persons impanell'd upon the Jury was Edmund de Littlefend, which perhaps ' should be Edmund de Littlefield, fend for field

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field being often us'd in old Records. 'There is a Place call'd Littlefield, a Green ' in which are some Houses, situated near a Mile Southwards from the Church of White Waltham, from which 'tis not un-Ilikely the Family might be denominated. ' The Jury gave in Evidence, That the · Parish of Bray began at a Place call'd Bodelespole, which is the same that is onow nam'd Ruddlespole. From thence it extended it felf to the House of Walter de la Hawe, in the Parish of Windfor, and from thence to a Place call'd in the Instrument by the Name of Elyster, which was the farthest Limit Southwards. From thence it stretched it self to Hethrewe, which was the Bound Westward. Then it went to a Place ' (near Bradenbrugg) where in old Time frood a certain Oak. This was one of the Limits or Bounds, and on it they us'd to cut a Cross. Thence it extended it felf to Crukesfend, one of the King's · Vacheryes; from Crukesfend to Fayrhok, from Fayrbok to Wolvelye, and from · Wolvelye to Maydenbith, or Maidenhead. In this Paper there is nothing that re-Iates to the Bounds of White Waltham but Crukesfend, Fayrhok and Wolvelye. ' The first I take to be the same House where Mr. Hercy now dwelleth at Hawthorne, Ttt

thorne, fome distance Southward from Red Stone Pond; in confirmation of which Opinion Mr. Hercy lately told a certain Friend of mine, that it was formerly, as appear'd by his Writings, one of the King's Dary Houses. From this old. Inquisition there is some room to conjecture that the Parishioners of White Waltham ought to go in their Perambulations as far as this House, and perhaps they had formerly a Refresh-Fayrbok is nothing but the ment at it. great Oak I have mention'd in the former Section: and Wolvelye is what we now call Wooley. The Saxons call'd this last Place Pulverleag, i. e. A Place of Wolves. 'Tis not at all improbable that 'twas formerly much infested with Wolves, especially if it be confider'd that the Woods were here, as well as in all those Chiltern Parts, far thicker and larger than they are at present, and were a Refuge for ' Robbers (as well as for wild Beafts;) which was the reason that the Manor of ' Flamstede was given by Leofstan, Abbot of St. Albans, to a certain Souldier of great Valor and Courage call'd Thurnoth, with this Condition, That he should in lieu of it take effectual Methods to have most of the Woods cut down, and the Robbers dispers'd, which accordingly he

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he carefully and punctually perform'd. 'This is related in the Appendix to Dr. Watt's Accurate Edition of Matthew · Paris; but I do not remember to have " met with it in any other publish'd Author. Now as Crukesfend was a Bound to Bray, fo'tis likely that it deriv'd its Name from the large Crofs that was here cut formerly to diftinguish and mark out the Limits of the Parish. Of late ' Years the Parishioners have strangely in-' truded upon White Waltham in the Com-" mon, and have taken in a great Part of " Heywood Lordship, quite contrary to the Determination in the Paper I have produc'd, and altogether against Custom. remember that some Years ago I had the curiofity to walk round the Parish of White Waltham my self in one of the ' Tearly Circuits, at which time I could ' not but take particular Notice of the Infolence of the Parishioners of Bray in transgressing their Bounds, when they came to Crukesfend. Dr. Carswell headed and directed them, and they pass'd ' in great Triumph through the Common, taking in all Red Stone Pond, and confiderably farther more West; whereas ' they ought to have left the Pond on the " West, and to have kept close by the Wood Side. I take the Red Stone to Ttt2 havo have been plac'd at that Time when the Controversy first began. We meet with some Stones in England that were fix'd purely to notify the exact Bounds of Counties; and this Stone we are speaking of was look'd upon as a more standing, and sure Mark for Distinction, than a Cross on a Tree or in the Ground, and less subject to Alteration, and the adjoyning Pond taking its Name from it, would also serve as a Direction to Posserity in settling the Disputes that might arise upon this Occasion.

In Pages 365 and 366 of this Volume, you will find some Account of Mr. John Kendrick, whose eminent and diffusive Charity may be more justly expressed in his last Will, printed at London in 16.... Ato. and from thence inserted in Mr. John Stow's Survey of London, printed in 1633. in Fol. pag. 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, &c. viz.

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The last Will and Testament of Mr. John Kendrick, Citizen and Draper of London, who departed this Life the 30 Day of December, Anno 1624.

I N the Name of God, Amen. The nine and twentieth of December, Anno Domini, 1624. and in the two and twentieth Year of the Reign of our So-

vereign Lord King James, &c.

I John Kendrick, of the City of London, Draper, being fick in Body, but of good and perfect Memory (for which I give most humble and hearty Thanks to Almighty God) do make, ordain, and declare this my last Will and Testament, in Manner and Form following: That is to say,

First, and before all Things, I commend, and commit my Soul to Almighty God, my Creator, trusting most assuredly to be saved by the Death, Passion, and only Merits of Jesus Christ, my Saviour

and Redeemer.

And I will that my Body be decently interred in Christian Burial, in the Parish Church of St. Christopher, where I dwell; as mine Executor, hereafter named, shall order and appoint.

Item, I give and bequeath to Threefcore poor Men, to every of them a Gown of broad Cloth, to wear on the Day of my Burial, and Twelve Pence a piece in Money, to pay for their Dinners. The fame poor Men to be fuch as my Executor shall appoint.

Item, I give and bequeath black Gowns and Cloaks, to be worn at my Burial by my Kindred, Friends, and Servants, as my Executor shall think meet, not exceeding the Sum of Six Hundred Pounds in the said Gowns and Cloaks, and the

rest of the Charges of my Funeral.

Item, I give and bequeath the Sum of Threescore Pounds, to be bestowed upon a Dinner, to be provided for my Friends, and the Inhabitants of the Parish of Saint Christopher, where I now dwell, upon the Day of my Burial, and in such Place as my Executor shall think meet and convenient.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Mayor and Burgesses of the Town of Reading, in the County of Berkshire (I mean, to the Body Corporate, or Corporation of the said Town of Reading, by whatsoever Name or Addition the same is made known) the Sum of Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Pounds, upon especial Trust and Considence, that they shall therewith

with perform the Uses following: That

is to fay,

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The faid Mayor and Burgeffes shall buy, and purchase unto them, and their Succesfors for ever (I fay, to the Body Corporate of the said Town of Reading, by whatsoever Name or Addition the same is made or known) Lands and Hereditaments, of the clear value of Fifty Pounds by the Year, over and above all Charges and Reprifes. Which Sum of Fifty Pounds a Year, my will and meaning is, shall be paid by the faid Mayor and Burgesses, and their Successors, unto my Sister Anne Newman, yearly, during her natural Life; and after her decease, the same yearly Sum of Fifty Pounds, shall be paid by the faid Mayor and Burgesses, and their Succesfors, to the Overfeers of the Poor of the faid Town of Reading (for the Time being) yearly for ever; and by them the faid Overfeers (for the Time being) shall be bestowed and distributed to, and among the poor People of the faid Town for ever; to wit, the Moiety thereof every half Year, in fuch Sums, and to fuch Perfons, as the faid Overseers (for the Time being) shall think meet, according to the Necessity and Defert of the same leveral Persons.

Provided always, and my meaning is, that this my yearly Gift Iball not any way abridge abridge the faid Poor of the ordinary Allowances, usually affessed, and collected of the wealthier Sort of the Inhabitants of the faid Town, towards the Relief of the said poor People, but shall be unto them as an Additament, and clear Increase of

Relief yearly for ever.

And if this my Gift and Provision shall happen (which I trust it shall not) to be by the faid Mayor and Burgesfes, or by the faid Overfeers for the Time being, ordered and disposed contrary to my meaning thus declared; or that my Will and Defire above expressed, touching the beflowing and distribution of the faid Sum of Fifty Pounds yearly, be amitted, neglected, or left unperformed by the space of one whole Year, after it is by this my Will appointed to be diffributed and beflowed as aforesaid, then my will and meaning is, That the faid Sum, and Revenue of Fifty Pounds a Year, shall be by the faid Mayor and Burgesses, and their Successors for the Time being, for ever, paid unto the Treafurer of Christ's Hofpital, and by the Governors of the fame Hospital, imployed and bestowed in the Relief and Education of the poor Children of the faid Hospital; or else, that the faid Mayor and Burgeffes for the Time being, shall by their Deed in Law, convey, and make make over the Lands and Hereditaments of the faid yearly Value of Fifty Pounds, unto the Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of London, and their Successors for ever, unto the Use of the faid Hospital, to be employed as aforefaid.

Provided always, that the faid Fifty Pounds a Year, be yearly paid unto my faid Sifter Anne Newman, during her natural Life; and after her decease, to the charitable Uses aforesaid.

Moreover, my will and meaning is, as also my trust and considence in the said Mayor and Burgesses of the Town of Reading is, that with another competent Part of the said Sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, so by me devised as associated, they the said Mayor and Burgesses shall buy, and purchase unto them and their Successors for ever, a sair plot of Ground, within the said Town of Reading, or the Liberties thereof, and thereupon shall erest and build a strong House

House to have a fair Garden adjoyning,

of Brick, flt and commodious for fetting the Poor on Work therein, or elfe shall buy and purchase such an House, being already built, if they can find one already fitting, or that may with a reasonable Sum and to be from time to time kept in good and sufficient Reparations, by the said Mayor and Burgesses for the Time being, for ever. Which House and Garden, my will is, shall be used and occupied by such as the said Mayor and Burgesses, and their Successors, from time to time, for ever, shall appoint and ordain, for the employing and handling of the Stock of Money by me hereby left and devised to that pur-

pose.

And my will and meaning is, that the faid Lands and Hereditaments of the yearly Value of Fifty Pounds, and also the faid House and Garden, being bought and purchased as aforesaid, with parcel of the faid Sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, then the whole refidue and remainder of the same Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Pounds, shall make and be a common Stock, to be employed and bestowed in Trades of Clothing, either in making of coloured Clothes, or Whites, as the Time shall require; and also in working of Wooll, Hemp, Flax, Iron, grinding of Brazel Woods, and other Stuffs for dying, or otherwise, as to the faid Mayor and Burgesses aforesaid, and their Successors for ever, shall feem meet and convenient, for the Employment of poor People, and for the Prefervation

vation and Encrease of the said common Stock.

And the faid Mayor and Burgesses, and their Successors for ever, shall have the election, placing and ordering, as also the displacing (if cause be) of all, and every Person and Persons, to be employed in the handling and husbanding of the common Stock in the House aforesaid, according to their, the said Mayor and Burgesses good Discretion, from time to time for ever.

Wherein yet my desire is, that they shall prefer the Poor of the said Town to the said Work and Employment before others of other Places.

And for the Performance of these premises, my will is, that the Sum of Seven
Thousand and Five Hundred Pounds, before (for this end) by me bequeathed to
the said Mayor and Burgesses, or their
Successors, shall be paid unto them or their
Successors, in Manner and Form following: That is to say, Two Thousand
Pounds thereof at the end of one Year next
after my decease; other Two Thousand
Pounds thereof at the end of two Years
next after the Day of my decease; and
the residue of the said whole Sum, being
Three Thousand and Five Hundred
Pounds, at the end of three Years next

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But if it shall happen (as my trust is it will not) that the faid Mayor and Buis gesses, or their Successors, shall neglect, omit, or fail to perform the premifes, according to my will and meaning above declared; or fhall misemploy the daid Stock, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this my Device and Difpo61 tion, for the good of the Poor, and their honest Employment and Maintenance as aforefaid; and that fuch their Neglect shall continue at any Time by the fpace of one whole Year together, then my will and meaning is, that my faid whole Legacy of Seven Thousand and Bive Hundred Pounds, and every Part and Parcel thereof, shall be thence utterly void, frustoate, and of none effect, as to, for, and concerning the faid Mayor and Burgesses and their Succeffors; and as to, for, and concerning the Uses thereof before limitted and expressed. And that the said whole common Stock shall be by them the faid Mayor and Burgesses, and their Succesfors for the Time being, forthwith paid unto the Mayor and Commonatty, and Citizens of the City of London, to the Ule of Christ's Hospital in London, according as I have above devised and disposed, touching ing the Revenue of Fifty Pounds a Year for ever, first bequeathed to the Use and Relief of the poor People of the Town of

Reading.

As, also my will and meaning is, that in this Case of Non-performance by the said Mayor and Burgesses, the House and Garden to be purchased in Reading, as aforesaid, shall be by the said Mayor and Burgesses, and their Successors, conveyed and made over by their Deed sufficient in Law, unto the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of London, and their Successors for ever, to the dike Use of Christ's Hospital in London, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgeffes of the Town of Newbury in the County of Berks (I mean the Body Corporate of the fame Town,) the Sum of Four Thousand Pounds, to buy and purchase therewith a commodious House and Garden within the same Town, or the Liberties thereof, to fet the Poor on work; and with the refidue of the fame Sum, to make a common Stock, for the Employment of the Poor in the faid House, according to the good Discretion of the faid Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, from time to time for ever, and according to my meaning before declared.

clared, in the devising of the Sum of Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Pounds, to the Mayor and Burgesses of the Town

of Reading, to the like Ufe.

But my will and meaning is, that if it shall happen (which I trust will not) that the faid Mayor, Aldermen, land Burgesses of the Town of Newbury, or their Successors, shall neglect, or fail to perform my Trust and Meaning hereby committed unto them, or shall misemploy) the faid Stock, contrary to my good Intent to the Poor before declared, by the space of one whole Year (at any time) after my faid Legacy shall be paid unto them, then my will and meaning is, that my faid whole Legacy of Four Thousand Pounds, and every Part and Parcel thereof shall thenceforth be utterly void, and of none effect, as to, for, and concerning the faid Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgelfes of the Town of Newbury, and their Successors for ever. And that the faid whole common Stock be by them the faid Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Newbury, and their Successors for the Time being, forth with paid over unto the Mayor and Burgesses of the Town of Reading in the fame County, to be by them and their Successors for ever employed, bestowed, and used in like manner, as I have by this my

my Will devised, and appointed another Stock common for the Poor in the same Town of Reading, as by my said Devise and Disposition (before herein more at large expressed) doth and may appear.

In the like manner also my will and meaning is, that in case of such Non-performance of my Will and Intent, by the faid Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Newbury, the House and Garden by them fo to be purchased and built, as aforesaid, shall be by the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Newbury, and their Successors, conveyed and made over by their Deed fufficient in Law, unto the Mayor and Burgesses of the faid Town of Reading, and their Successors for ever, to be by them sold, and converted into Money, and the same Money to be used and employed in their common Stock for the Poor in the faid Town of Reading aforesaid, in such fort as I have formerly hereby expressed.

And for the Performance of the said Trust and Uses, by the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Newbury aforesaid, my will and meaning is, that the said Sum of Four Thousand Pounds so to them bequeathed and devised as aforesaid, shall be paid unto them, or their Successors, in manner as solloweth;

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that is to fay, One Thousand Pounds thereof at the end of one Year, next enfuing after the Day of my decease; one other Thousand Pounds thereof at the end of two Years from and after my said decease; and the residue (being two Thousand Pounds) shall be paid them at the end of three Years next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Company of Drapers of the City of London (of which Company I am free) the Sum of TwoThousand and Four Hundred Pounds, to purchase Lands and Hereditaments, to the clear yearly Value of One Hundred Pounds for ever, over and above all Charges and Reprises; and with the same to perform these good Uses hereafter mentioned; that is to say,

The Sum of Twenty Four Pounds thereof yearly for ever, to be bestowed in the Month of December, for the releasing of six poor Prisoners out of these Prisons in London, to wit, the two Compters, Ludgate, Newgate, and the Fleet, by

Four Pounds for each Prisoner.

Or if such cannot be found in the said Prisons, or some of them to be released for these Sums, then the same (or the residue thereof) to be bestowed in like releasing of other Prisoners, out of some of the Prisons near London, and out of the Liberties thereof. (521)

thereof, as to the Wardens of the faid Company (for the Time being) shall feem meet.

More, Twenty Pounds yearly for ever, to the Curate of the Parish of St. Christopher, wherein I now dwell, to read divine Service in the said Parish Church at Six a Clock in the Morning every Day of the Week for ever. In like manner as is now used in the Chapel, at the great North Gate of Saint Paul's Church in London.

More, to the Clerk and Sexton of the faid Parish of Saint Christopher, to each of them Fifty Shillings yearly for ever, to do their several Attendance and Assistance at the Time of Divine Service every Morning.

More, to the Church-Wardens of the fame Parish of Saint Christopher, five Pounds yearly for ever, for the maintenance of Lights in the Winter Time.

More, Three Pounds yearly for ever, to the Poor of the said Parish of Saint Chri-

Ropher.

More, to the poor Prisoners in London. Ten Pounds yearly for ever; namely, to the Prisoners of the Compters in the Poultry and Woodsireet, and in Newgate; to each of these Prisons Forty Shillings yearly for ever.

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To the poor Prisoners in Ludgate and in the Fleet; to each House, Thirty Shillings for ever.

And to the poor Prisoners in Bethlem,

or Bedlem, Twenty Shillings yearly.

More, to the Clerk of the Company of the Drapers, for the Time being, for his Pains herein, Forty Shillings for ever.

More, to the Beadle of the faid Com-

pany, Thirty Shillings for ever.

More, to the Beadle of the Yeomanry of the same Company, Ten Shillings for ever.

More, Five and Twenty Pounds yearly, for ever, to be distributed by the said Wardens, among poor and religious Men and Women in the City of London, to fome more, and to some less, as the said Wardens shall find their Necessity and Defert to be: Wherein my defire is, that poor Clothworkers, and their Widows. shall be first preferred; and next, the Poor of the Draper's Company. residue of the said Sum of one Hundred Pounds a Year, being Four Pounds yearly for ever, I intreat the Four Wardens of the faid Company to accept for their Pains, to be equally divided between them, by Twenty Shillings to each of them, for the Time being for ever. And

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And if the faid Company of Drapers do either of Purpose, or Negligence omit, and not perform the premises, but shall leave the same unperformed one whole Year, after they shall have received this my Legacy of Two Thousand and Four Hundred Pounds (which I will shall be paid them at the end of one Year next after my decease) then my will and mind is, That the Governours of Christ's Hospital in London, shall recover the whole Two Thousand and Four Hundred Pounds. before specified, or the Lands and the Hereditaments that the faid Company shall have bought with the same Money, and keep Twenty Pounds yearly for ever of the fame Rent, for the Maintenance of the poor Children in the faid Hospital, as if the same had been first given to them; and the Draper's Company to have nothing to do with it, or the rest of the faid Hundred Pounds yearly for ever.

And that in this Case, the yearly Payment of Eight Pounds unto the Clerk, Beadles and Wardens of the said Company, as also Twelve Pounds, parcel of the said Five and Twenty Pounds a Year before devised, to be paid and distributed by the said Company, among poor and religious Men and Women in the City

of London, utterly, and for ever to cease.

But this Twenty Pounds a Year, being so converted (as aforesaid) to the Use of the Hospital, the residue of the said yearly Rent of One Hundred Pounds a Year, I will that the Governours of the said Hospital shall pay and distribute yearly for ever, in manner and form as the said Company of Drapers should have done.

Item, I give and bequeath to the said Company of Drapers, One Hundred Pounds, to be paid within a Year after my decease; and by the Wardens of the said Company to be bestowed in Plate, such as they shall think good, for the Use of their common Hall in London, at their

Meetings and Dinners there.

of Christ's Hospital in London, Five Hundred Pounds, to be by the Governours thereof bestowed in Lands and Hereditaments, for, and towards the yearly Maintenance of the Children of the said Hospital for ever. This Sum to be paid to the said Governours, or the Treasurer of the said Hospital, so soon as they shall have found out a sit Purchase to bestow it, and agreed on the Price of the same.

Item, I give and bequeath towards the curing of Sick, Sore, and Diseased Perfons in Saint Bartholomew's Hospital in

London, the Sum of Fifty Pounds.

Item, I give and bequeath towards the curing of Sick, Sore, and Diseased Perfons in Saint Thomas's Hospital in Southwark, near London, the Sum of Fifty Pounds.

Item, I give and bequeath towards the repairing of the Parish Church of Saint Christopher, where I now dwell, the Sum of Forty Pounds, to be paid to the Church-Wardens of the Parish, within one Year

after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath towards the repairing of the Cathedral Church of Saint Paul's in London, the Sum of One Thousand Pounds, to be paid to the Chamberlain of London, at such Time as that Work of repairing the same Church shall be ready to proceed with effect, and to be disposed by the Direction and Appointment of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the said City.

Item, I give and bequeath to be given at the Marriages of poor Maids within the City of London, Two Hundred Pounds, to be distributed by Forty Shillings a piece upon the Days of their Marriage, to such as have served one Master or Mistress by

the space of five Years together.

Item, I give and bequeath to be given and distributed to poor Maids in the Town

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of Reading, in the County of Berks, and at their several Marriages, by Forty Shillings a piece, at the discretion of the Mayor and Burgesses of that Town, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds; provided, none enjoy the Benefit thereof, but such as have served Master, Mistress, or Dame, by the space of seven Years together. This Hundred Pounds to be paid to the said Mayor and Burgesses (for the Use aforesaid) within one Year next after my decease.

Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Newbury in Berkshire, the Sum of Fifty Punds, to be by them bestowed and distributed to Twenty Five Maids Marriages, on their several Days of their Weddings in the same Town. None to enjoy this Gift, but such as have well and honestly served with one Master, Mistress, or Dame, by the space of Seven Years at the least. And this Fifty Pounds to be paid to the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, within one Year next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath towards the fetting on Work of Forty idle Vagrant Boys, such as go up and down the Streets in the City of London, begging and pilfering, the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds,

to be paid to the Treasurer for the Time being, being of the House of Correction called Bridewell, in London, in Manner and Form following, that is to fay, When any fuch Boy is taken up by my Executor. or his Affigns, in any Place within the Liberties of this City of London, and by the Treasurer of the same House of Correction, and Governours there for the Time being, placed and bound Apprentice, for the Term of Seven Years at the least, with a Master, or Art-Masters, as Glovers, Pinners, Shoomakers, or any other Occupation or Art, which they shall be thought most fit for, to learn in the faid House, whereby (in Time) they may prove good Members, and live like honest Men in the Commonwealth. I fay, with every one of these Boys shall be paid to the Treasurer and Governours for the Time being, the Sum of Five Pounds, until the faid Sum of Two Hundred Pounds be fully paid for that Use.

Item, I give and bequeath towards the finishing of the Pinacles of the Steeple of the Parish of Saint Maries in Reading, in Berkshire, Fifty Pounds, to be paid to the Church-Wardens of the same Parish, within one Month after the same Pinacles shall be finished.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Mayor, and Burgesses of the Town of Reading, aforefaid, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be first lent to these Parties, and in the Sums hereafter named, for Seven Years, Gratis; That is, to James Winche, Two Hundred Founds; and to Watter Rye, Richard Stampe, and William Blacknall, Clothiers, One Hundred Pounds apiece; each of them giving Bond with Two fufficient Sureties, for Repayment thereof to the said Mayor and Burges at the end of the faid Seven Years. And afterwards, the fame Five Hundred Pounds shall be lent to Ten several honest. industrious poor Clothiers, Freemen of the same Town, by Fifty Pounds a piece, Gratis, for Three Years, upon like good Security: And no Man to have the Use of this Money twice. But if there shall not be Clothiers enough found in the faid Town, to enjoy this Loan in manner aforesaid, that then the said Money shall be lent also unto other Tradesmen. Free of the faid Town, by the Sums and Terms of Years last before appointed; to such as set most poor People to Work, according to the Difcretion of the faid Mayor and Burgesses. And this said Sum of Five "Hundred Pounds shall be paid to the said Mayor and Burgesses (to the Use aforesaid)

faid) at the end of one Year next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Newbury, in the County of Berks, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be lent first for the Term of Seven Years, Gratis, unto these several Clothiers here named; that is to fay, To Thomas Newman One Hundred Pounds; to Richard Avery One Hundred Pounds; to Martin Broaker Fifty Pounds; to William Goodwin the elder Fifty Pounds; to Timothy Avery Fifty Pounds; to Robert Bacon Fifty Pounds; and to Griffin Forfter Fifty Pounds. Every of the said several Parties entering into Bond, with 2 fufficient Sureties for Repayment of the faid Sums to the faid Mayor and Aldermen, and Burgesses, at the end of Seven Years. And afterwards, the same Five Hundred Pounds shall be lent to Ten several honest, industrious poor Clothiers, free of the faid Town of Newbury, by Fifty Pounds a piece, Gratis, for Three Years; and after that, in like manner. from Three Years to Three Years for ever; and no Man to have the same Money twice. But if there shall not be Clothiers enough found in the fame Town of Newbury; to enjoy this Loan in man-Yyy

ner as aforesaid, then the same Money shall be lent also unto other Tradesmen, free of the same Town, by the Sums and Terms of Years last before appointed, to such as set most poor People on work, according to the Discretion of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses, to whom this said Five Hundred Pounds shall be paid, to the Use aforesaid, at the end of

One Year after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Governour, Affistants, and Fellowship of Merchant-Adventurers of England, the Sum of Nine Hundred Pounds, to be lent by Three Hundred Pounds in a parcel, for Three Years, Gratis, unto three honest, industrious, and frugal young Men, free of that Company, none of them being Partners with each other, and every of them giving Bond with two fufficient Sureties, to be tryed and allowed by ballotting, and not otherwise, for Repayment of the same Money to the said Company. And so the fame Money to be lent out by the faid Company in this manner, from Three Years to Three Years for ever.

And my will and desire is, that these my five present Servants, shall be (upon Security as aforesaid) first preserved to the enjoying of this Loan; to wit, William Powle, Thomas Newman, and Simon Gundy, the first Three Years, and Andrew Kendrick and Christopher Pack, the next two Parcels that shall come in, and be received in, after they shall be Freemen of that Company. And for Performance hereof, the said Nine Hundred Pounds shall be paid unto the Treasurer of the said Company in London, for the Time being, at the end of one Year next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Brother William Kendrick, of Reading, in the County of Berks, Clothier, and to his Children now born and living, the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds; whereof one third Part for himself, and the other two Parts for his said Children, the same two third Parts of the said Sum of Two Thousand Pounds, to be equally divided to and amongst his said Children, share and share like.

And my will is, that the said Two Thousand Pounds be paid to my said Brother, at the end of Three Years next after my decease; and that he shall pay his said Children their several Shares thereof before limited; that is to say, to his Son his share and part when he cometh to the Age of Twenty Four Years; And to his Daughter her share and part Y y y 2 when

when she cometh to the Age of One and Twenty Years, or at the Day of her Mar-

riage, which shall first happen.

And if it fortune either of my said Brother's Children to die or decease, before their respective Legacies aforesaid, shall grow due, as above, that then the part of such Child so deceasing, shall accrue, and be paid to the Surviver of the said Child, at the Day and Time before appointed.

Item, I give and bequeath to my faid Brother William Kendrick, my Gold Ring which was my Father's, with the Letters T. K. therein engraven, and a knot be-

tween the same Letters.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Sister Anne Newman, of Reading, in the County of Berks, the Sum of One Thousand Marks, to be paid unto her at the end of

one Year next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the Children of my said Sister, Anne Newman, the Sum of Two Thousand Marks, to be equally divided amongst them share and share like. And the Shares of such as are already married (if they be Daughters) or are Four and Twenty Years of Age, to be paid them at the end of one Year after my decease. And the Shares of the rest, when they shall be Four and Twenty

Twenty Years of Age; and to the Daughters, at their Day of Marriage; or when they shall come to One and Twenty Years of Age respectively, which of

these shall happen to be first.

And if it shall happen any of the said Children of my said Sister to die, before the Age and Time so presixed for Payment, as aforesaid (I mean, those that be yet under that Age, and unmarried) then my will is, That the share and part of such as shall so die, shall accrue and be paid unto the rest of the same Children then surviving, share and share like, and at the Days and Times of Payment before appointed, for their own several Shares and Parts.

But my will and meaning is, That Thomas Newman, Son of my said Sister, shall not have any Part or Share of this said Legacy of Two Thousand Marks, because I give him a large Legacy apart by this my will; therefore the said Two Thousand Marks is to be divided and shared among the rest of the Children of my said

Sifter, as aforefaid.

Item, I do hereby absolutely acquit and forgive my Brother-in-Law, Husband to my Sister, Anne Newman, the Sum of One Hundred Marks, which he oweth me by his Bond, due the Second Day of

November, An. Dom. 1623. being all that he oweth me at the date of this my will.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Sister Alice Vigures, of Excester, in the County of Devon, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be paid her at the end of Two Years next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Children of my faid Sister Alice Vigures, the Sum of One Thousand Pounds, to be equally divided among them share and share like. And if any of them (being Sons) be of the Age of Four and Twenty Years; or any of them (being Daughters) be of the Age of One and Twenty Years, or married, then the Share and Parts of fuch respectively, shall be paid at the end of Two Years next after my decease; and the Shares and Parts of the rest shall be paid to such as are Sons, at the Age of Four and Twenty Years; and to fuch as be Daughters, at their Age of One and Twenty Years, or at the Days of their Marriage, which of them shall first happen to come respectively.

But my will and meaning is, that Simon Gandy, Son of my faid Sifter Alice Vigures, shall not have any Part or Share of this Legacy of one Thousand Pounds,

because I give him a large Legacy apart by himself in this my Will. By my meaning is, That this faid Legacy of One Thousand Pounds, so given as aforesaid, shall be equally divided among the rest of the Children of my faid Sifter, excluding the faid Simon Gandy from all Part and Share of the fame. And if it shall happen any of the faid Children of my faid Sister Alice Vigures, to die before the Age and Time of Payment appointed, as aforefaid (I mean when they be under that Age, and unmarried) then my will and meaning is, that the Share and Part of fuch as shall so die, shall be paid and accrue unto the rest of the same Children so furviving, to each of them equally, and share and share like, and at the Days and Times of Payment before appointed, for their own feveral Shares and Parts.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Brother James Winche, of Purley, in the County of Berks, and to his Children, the Sum of One Thousand Pounds, whereof one third Part for himself, the other two third Parts for his said Children; the same two third Parts to be divided equally amongst the said Children of my said Bro-

ther, share and share like.

And my will is, that this said Sum of One Thousand Pounds, shall be paid to my faid Brother, James Winch, at the end of one Year next after my decease, and that he shall pay forthwith unto such of his Children, as (being Sons, and of the Age of Four and Twenty Years, or married) their feveral Shares and Proportions of the faid two third Parts of this Sum of One Thousand Pounds. Shares and Parts of the rest of his Children he shall retain in his own Hands. until his said Children (being Sons) shall be of the Age of Four and Twenty Years; and being Daughters, shall be of the Age of One and Twenty Years, or be married, and then he shall pay every of them their several Shares and Parts respe-Ctively.

And if it shall happen any of the said younger Children to die before the Time of Payment so limited, as aforesaid, then my will and meaning, that the Part and Share of such as shall so decease, shall accrue unto the rest of the said Children of my said Brother that shall then survive, to be equally divided amongst them share and share like, and to be paid at the Days

and Times before appointed.

Item, I give and bequeath to Thirty of my poorest Kindred in the Town of Reading, in Berkshire, the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, to be paid unto my Brother, William

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William Kendrick, within Three Months after my decease, and by him to be diffributed, by Ten Pounds in every parcel, as he in his Discretion shall think good, wherein I pray him to be very careful, to bestow the same where there is most need and best desert.

Item, I give and bequeath to old Elizabeth Kendrick, of Reading, Daughter to my Father's Brother, William Kendrick (as I take it) the Sum of Fifty Pounds, to be paid her within Three Months af-

ter my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Kinfman, Thomas Newman, now residing at Delft in Holland, the Sum of One Thousand Pounds, to be paid him upon the Five and Twentieth Day of October, which shall be in the Year of our Lord God, 1626. when his Time of Service expireth, provided that he remain with my Partner, Mr. Laurence Halstead, and serve him his said suil Time.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Kinfman, and late Servant, Simon Gandy, the Sum of One Thousand Pounds, to be paid him within One Year next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto Arthur Aynscombe, Merchant, now residing at Antwerp, who hath a share with me Z z z in

in Trade, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within 2 Years after my decease, provided that he go forward in Trade with Mr. Laurence Halftead (if he the said Master Halftead shall desire it) unto the end of our Contract, which will be the Five and Twentieth

Day of October, Anno Dom. 1626.

Item, I give and bequeath to Barney Reymer, Merchant, now residing at Delft, who hath also a share with me in Trade, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within two Years next after my decease, provided that he go forward in Trade with Mr. Laurence Halstead (if he the said Mr. Halstead shall desire it) unto the end of our Contract, which will be the Five and Twentieth Day of October, Anno Dom. 1626.

Item, I give and bequeath to Master John Quarles, who was my Master, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within a Year next after my decease. And my earnest Request unto Mr. Laurence Halstead is, that unto the end of our Contract of Partnership (which will be the Five and Twentieth Day of October, Anno Domini, 1626.) the same Mr. Quarles may have his Diet, Lodging and Washing, in his, the said Mr. Halstead's House, free, and without paying any Thing therefore,

as he now hath it with me. And my defire also is, that he may continue to keep the Books of our partable Account until the aforesaid Twenty Fifth Day of October, 1626. and be paid his wonted yearly Allowance of Fifty Pounds for the same. And I do hereby freely and absolutely forgive the said Mr. John Quarles, the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, which he oweth me, payable at Pleasure, being lent him the last of March, Anno 1616, and being all that he oweth me at the date of this my Will.

Item, I give and bequeath to Master George Lowe, heretofore my Partner, the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within one Year next after my decease. And I do hereby absolutely forgive him all that is due unto me for his Lodging, Diet, Firing and Washing, which he hath had of me now six Years

together.

Item, I give and bequeath to Thomas Billingsley, Son of Sir Henry Billingsley, Knight, and Alderman of London, deceased, the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within one Year next after my decease. And I do absolutely forgive him the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, which he oweth me by his Bond, due the Twentieth of December, Z z z 2

Anno 1625, and lent him the Twentieth

of this present Month for a Year.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Executors of Thomas Jackson, of London, Merchant, deceased (whom I take to be Miles Jackson, the Son of the said Thomas) the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, to be paid at the end of one Year next after

my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to Lucas Van Peenen, of Middleburgh, in Zealand, Son of Roger Van Peenen, of that Town, deceased, the Sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling, to be paid over by Exchange, within two Months after my decease, payable at Usance to John Mount-Stephen, now residing in that Town, to be paid over to the said Lucas Van Peenen, sorthwith after he hath received it, in the full Flemmish Sum which the same shall produce.

Item, I give and bequeath to Jeremias Poets, of the same Town of Middleburgh, in Zealand, (if he be the Executor of his Brother, Hance Poets, deceased) the Sum of Twenty Pounds Sterling, to be made over by Exchange within two Months after my decease, payable at Usance, to John Mount-Stephen aforenamed, and by him forthwith (after his receipt thereof) to be paid over to the said Jeremias Poets, in the full Flemmish Sum which the same shall produce.

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Item, I give and bequeath to William Powle, my Covenant Servant, the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within fix Months after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to Andrew Kendrick, my Apprentice, the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, to be paid him when he shall have served seven Years, from the commencement of the Term of his Indenture.

Item, I give and bequeath to the said Andrew Kendrick, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds more, in lieu of so much given me with him by his Father John Kendrick, to be paid him within three Months next after my decease, upon acquittance to be given by his said Father therefore.

Item, I give and bequeath to Christopher Packe, mine Apprentice, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within three Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to Thomas Mayle, my Horse-keeper, the Sum of Twenty Pounds, to be paid him within two Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Maid Dorothy, the Sum of Twenty Pounds, to be paid her within two Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Maid Margaret, the Sum of Twenty Pounds, to be paid her within two Months next after my decease.

Hutwith, my Drawer, the Sum of Fifty Pounds, to be paid him within three

Months after my deceafe.

Bird, my Drawer, Five and Twenty Pounds, to be paid him within three

Months after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to the prefent Men-servants of John Hutwith, my Drawer, the Sum of Twenty Five Pounds, whereof Ten Pounds to Charles, and the other Fifteen Pounds to be equally divided amongst the rest, as well Apprentices as Journey-men, to be paid within two Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to my twelve Cloth-workers, that usually row and sheer my Clothes, the Sum of One Hundred and Thirty Pounds, whereof Twenty Pounds to Owen Dobbins, and Ten Pounds a piece to the rest, to be paid within three Month next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to William Bigge, and William Salubury, that usually press

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Twenty Five Pounds, whereof Fifteen Pounds to William Bigge, and Ten Pounds to William Salubury, to be paid them within three Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Porters at the Water-side, Ten Pounds, to be equally divided among them; and Ten Pounds to my Porters that usually pack in my House, to be paid within two Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Water-bearer Three Pounds; and to my Washer Anthony Five Pounds, to be paid

them forthwith after my deceafe.

Item, I give and bequeath to William Beadle, of Reading, Clothier, the Sum of Fifty Pounds, if he be yet living; and if he be dead, then to his Executors, to be paid within three Months next after my decease; And I do hereby also forgive the said William Beadle the Ten Pounds he now oweth me.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Executors of Mark Siye, of Reading, Clothier, deceased, the Sum of Fifty Pounds, to be paid within three Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to Thomas Newman, of Newbury, Clothier, the Sum

of One Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within three Months after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to John Skinner, Secretary to the Merchants-Adventurers, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, to be paid within three Months next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Widow Harison, and her Daughter, dwelling in the Alley next to my dwelling House, Five Pounds, to be paid within

one Month next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to Master Richard Bennet, who was heretofore my Partner, the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, to be paid at the end of one Year

next after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to Master William Towerson, Skinner, Deputy of the Merchant-Adventurers, Five Pounds to make him a Ring. And to Master Thomas Smith, Skinner, Five Pounds to make him a Ring, to be paid them forthwith after my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto Rafe Barnet, William Ellets, and John Southern, Officers of the Merchant-Adventurers, Five Pounds a piece, to be paid them

forthwith after my deceafe.

Item, I give and bequeath to the Mayor and Burgesses of the Town of Reading, in

the County of Berks, the Sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds, to be paid them at the end of one Year next after my decease, there with to purchase Lands and Hereditaments, to the clear yearly Walue of Ten Pounds for ever, to maintain Divine Service to be faid in the Parish Church of St. Mary in that Town, by the Parson, or his Curate, every Morning of the Week, at fix of the Clock, for every and post specially disposed ave

Item, I give and bequeath to the Mayor. Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Newbury, in the County of Berks, the Sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds. to be paid them at the end of one Year next after my decease, there with to purchase Lands or Hereditaments, of the clear yearly Value of Ten Pounds for ever, to maintain Divine Service to be faid in the Parish Church of that Town, by the Parson, or his Curate, every Morning of the Week, at fix of the Clock, to continue for ever,

Item, I give and bequeath to my Kinfman William Bye, dwelling near the Allum Mines in Torkshire, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, to be paid him within Three Months after my decease. And I do hereby forgive him the Ten Pounds which he oweth me by his Bond, due

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pany of Drapers in London, the Sum of Forty Pounds, to be bestowed upon a Dinner for the Livery of that Company, to be at their Hall upon the Day of my burial: This to be paid forthwith after

my decease.

And my will and meaning is, that in case any of the Persons aforenamed, to whom I have bequeathed Legacies as aforesaid, and not especially disposed for case of their decease, shall happen to die before the same Legacies grow due unto them, then the Legacy, or Legacies so by me given to them as aforesaid, shall be paid unto their Executors or Administrators, at such Time as I have before severally appointed unto them my Legataries.

And I do make and ordain my loving Friend and Partner, Master Laurence Halstead, my sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament; charging him, as he will answer it before Almighty GOD at the last Day of Judgment, that he truly and punctually (in every particular) perform this my said last Will and Testament, as I nothing doubt but he will be careful to do it; hereby giving and bequeathing unto him my said Executor, all the residue and remainder of

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my Estate, my Legacies before bequeathed being first payed and discharged.

In witness of the Premises, I have unto this my last Will and Testament, contained in Eighteen several Sheets of Paper, put my Hand and Seal. That is, my Seal once at the top, and my Name under every several Sheet, the Day and Year first above written.

JOHN KENDRICK,

Sealed, pronounced, and delivered by the said John Kendrick, as his last Will and Testament, in the Presence of us,

> John Skinner, Andrew Kendrick, John Singleton.

In Page 365 of this Volume, fome Notice is taken of the Picture of Sir Thomas White, in eminent Benefactor to the whole Kingdom, but more particularly to Reading, (where he was born) though Fuller, in his 30th Page of his second Alphabet of his Worthies of England, printed at London, 1662. Folio, makes him to be born at Rixmansworth, or Rixmeresworth, in Hertfordshire; and is followed in this Error by Sir Henry Chauncy, in his History and Antiquities of that County, Page 481. But contrary to these Two, Mr. Griffin Higgs, at first Fellow of St. John's College, and afterwards Fellow of Merton College in Oxford, who wrote Sir Thomas White's Life (who died 11 February, 1566.) has fixed the Place of his Nativity at Reading But the most methodical Account of his extensive Liberality, is best given in Mr. John Stow's Survey of London, printed at London, 1633. Folio, in Page 91, 92. in the following Words, viz.

Sir Thomas White, Lord Mayor of this honourable City, in Anno 1554. and a worthy Brother likewise of the Merchant-Taylor's Society, being a lover of Learning, and an earnest furtherer thereof, first purchased the Hall in

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in Oxenford, called Glocefter-Hall, for Scholars and Students, to receive there the benefit of Learning. But his private Thoughts very often foliciting him, that he should (in Time) meet with a Place where two Elms grew, and that there his further Purpose should take effect. At length he found out the Place, where (at his own Coff and Expence) he founded the famous College. called Saint John Baptift College, and where these two Elms (as I have heard) are yet standing, endowing it with fuch liberal Gifts, Lands and Revenues, as would require too much Time here to be remembred or fet down. Befide his Provision for Learning in this worthy Place, he erected other ' Schools; as at Bristow, Reading, and a College at Higham Ferries. More, he s gave to the City of Briftol, the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds to purchase ' Land, amounting to the yearly Value of an Hundred and Twenty Pound.
The Mayor and Citizens paying therefore yearly an Hundred Pounds, Eight Hundred Pounds must be lent to fixteen poor Clothiers, Pifty Pounds each Man, for the space of Ten Years, sufficient Security being given by them for the

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Pounds was to pass to other fixteen poor Clothiers, according to the discretion of them put in trust. Two Hundred Pounds beside was reserved for provision of Corn, and needful Occasions for the Poor, in the Order and Care of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens,

f Then according to his Will, which remaineth yet to be feen, out of this bountiful Gift to Bristol, these memorable Branches, and Benevolences, were (by himself) devised, and thus ordered, beginning in the Year 1577. and fo thence forward they went on according to his own direction. Then on the Feast of Saint Bartholomew was brought to the Merchant-Taylor's Hall an Hundred and Four Pounds; the Hundred Pounds to be lent (for ten Years space) to Four poor young Men in the City of Tork, Freemen, and Inhabitants, being ' Clothiers; and the Four Pounds overplus, to be employed about the Charges and Pains, that no Man (used in the Business) might receive discontentment. Then in 1578, the like Sum was to be delivered thence to Canterbury, and fo thence forward, the same Sums (year-' ly) to the Cities and Towns following orderly. To

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'This Sum of One Hundred and Four Pounds, passing thus yearly to the fore-named Places, is delivered still at the Merchant-Taylor-Hall, and to the good intended Uses of the giver; and that there might be no breathing while for so just a Steward's Talent, but to have it still kept in continual Employment

for the Poor, the same Order was appointed, to take beginning again (as before) at the City of Tork, and so successively (while the World endureth) to the Towns beforenamed, in the self same Course as it had the Original, with great care and observance in them, to whom it belongeth, that the dead may not be abused, nor poor Men's Right injured.

' But did he thus thut up his Purse, and fay to himself, I have given sufficient? No, he did cast his pitying Eye next on the City of Coventry, distressed, (at that Time) in great and greivous manner. What his instant Benevolence was, he ' took it to be but as an Hours Sun-shine after a whole Day of Storm and Tempest, although it might yeild some Comfort, were the Season never so hort. But to establish a Certainty, ' that no dismay or doubt should ever after be able to remove (even as a worthy Pyramide erected to perpetuity) he gave to the City of Coventry 1400 Pounds, therewith to purchase Lands rising to the annual Value of Seventy Pounds. · Twelve aged poor Inhabitants of that City were to have (in free Alms) Twenty Four Pounds, each Man Forty Shil-' lings yearly, on the eleventh Day of March,

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March, or within fix Days after. Four poor young Men also were to have Forty Pounds lent them in free Loan, Ten Pound each Man, and for Nine Years space, upon sufficient Security given. And their Turns being thus served, then Four other poor young Men were to have the like Sums, and for like Limitation, and so from Nine Years

to Nine Years for ever. Afterwards it was ordered (in free Loan) to Two poor Men of the same ' City; and laftly, to One, in which Na-' ture (according to the several Limitations) it doth yet, and doubtless shall for ever continue. Also the same Sum was ' appointed to One young Man in Northampton, for Nine Years, in free Loan. Next, to One in the City of Leicester. 'Thirdly, to One in Nottingham. Fourthly, to One in Warwick, and for the like 'Time. Then returning again to Coven-' try, for one Year, it repasseth to the said 'Towns again, each after other in like Nature, for ever. And left his worthy Intent ' should fail in the continuance, he enlareged his first Gift to Coventry of Fourteen 'Hundred Pounds, to Two Thousand, and Sixty Pounds to be employed, as hath been remembred; Forty Pounds being yearly paid out of it to Saint John Bap-Bbbb

' tist College in Oxenford, and Allowances

' also by himself given in each Place, that

Bonds should be made without any

' Charge to the Receiver.

A full Account of this Charity, and to what ill Uses it had been put, and how perverted, we had Reasons to expect from a Person who was engaged in a History of the Antiquities of the City of Coventry, to which he promised to add a Copy of the original Instrument for settling and regulating the Distribution of this most beneficial Charity, but the Work, I believe, incompleat, died with its Author.





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